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Parkinson launches power sell-off

Mr Cecil Parkinson, the Energy Secretary, announcing the Government's detailed proposals for selling off the electricity industry yesterday. The industry would be sold on the stock market early in 1991 but the price has yet to be settled.

Sale of electricity industry 'will

eventually force down prices'

A new era of competition in to nuclear power, which buried in the existing tariff was led by Mr Tony Blair, the

arrangements, under which

the area electricity boards buy

power from the Central

Electricity Generating Board.

Oppositioo parties yes-terday launched a sustained

onslaught against the electricity Bill. Labour condemned it

as a "great leap in the dark"

and warned of higher costs for consumers. The Democrats

called it a "blatant distortion

The Government's business

managers are conceding pri-

valely that the Bill faces a

lengthy and difficult passage,

with Conservative MPs cer-

tain to raise reservations

The determined but un-

successful campaign against

privatization by Lord Mar-shall of Goring, the CEGB

chairman, is said by the

Conservative whips to have

MPs. Their concerns are likely

to be reflected when the Bill

goes into committee.

about particular aspects.

Details of plan.

Leading article...

of the market".

the electricity industry, which means the power supply com-

panies in a privatized industry

will have to take a percentage

of electricity generated from non-fossil - effectively nu-

He said there was no reason

to suggest that such a move

would mean any price rise. It

would allow the consumer for

the first time to see what the

true cost of nuclear power was,

instead of having its cost

In investing

clear - sources.

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could eventually force prices

downwards, was beralded yes-terday by Mr Cecil Parkinson,

Secretary of State for Energy,

as he unveiled the Govern-

ment's detailed plans for what

is expected to be the biggest-

The sell-off means cus-

tomers will be compensated

for bad service by their local

electricity company and the

Government will soon launch

a major campaign to persuade

customers to also become

Mr Parkinson said the Gov-

crament was on target to sell

stock market early in 1991 but

added that the price had yet to

He dismissed as "fantasy"

predictions that the Govern-

ment would raise as much as

£20 billion, but there is little

doubt the final figure will be in

that region. The sale will test

the City's ability to digest such

a large privatization issue as well as the public's enthu-

Mr Parkinson defended the

Government's committment

Bill to end

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TOMORROW IN COLOUR

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West Peoig for local

voung Peter Pan has been

given a new lease of life - in the favourite hospital of his creator, J. M. Barrie. But the painter who has spent eight years re-creating Peter Pan and Tinker Bell has fought some strange battles along the way. Tomorrow, in colour, The Times tells his story.

For whom the division bell tolls: estate agents have a captive market in MPs who need to be within seven minutes of Westminster.

 What better way to see Turkey's dramatic Lycian coast than barefoot from the deck of a traditional gulet? Tomorrow The Times sets you adrift among ancient ruins and olive groves.

Plus . . .

shadow energy secretary. He accused the Government of a

dereliction of duty for failing

to spell out what the Bill

would mean in extra costs to

the consumer, and of failing to say how much the "nuclear tax" to pay for the costs of waste disposal would be.

He said: "It will mean rising

prices; a nuclear tax, a long-

term insecurity of supply and it will do nothing whatever to

promote energy conservation.
It is one of the most foolish

and inconceived measures to

have come before the Com-

mons," Mr Blair said it con-

tained no answers to many

"It is a skeleton Bill - the

meat will be in the various

licences, regulations and con-

Prices would rise after pri-

vatization, Mr Blair said, be-

cause of the need to cover the

new owners' profits and share

dividends. Britain's electricity

up an international league

table because of recent price

rises designed to "fatten up"

tracts to follow.

had an impact on several Tory costs had moved four places

 Eating Out: Jonathan Meades in Muzak-land, Drink: Jane MacQuitty on giftpack wines. Cooking: Frances Bissell on edible Christmas gifts. Food: Spaghetti junction. Rock: Johnny Winter, Books: Victoriana. Records: Hindemith.

WIN £28.000

 The £4,000 daily prize in the Portfolio Accumulator was not claimed yesterday, so the Accumulator fund rises today to £28,000. Prices: page 32

to the Commons call for Dublin to give up Ryan

Thatcher 'tantrums' taunt by Kinnock

● The Attorney General hopes the Irish authorities will soon agree to extradite Father Patrick Ryan

■ Mr Neil Kinnock accused the Prime Minister yesterday of providing terror groups with 'enriched oxygen'

His optimism is at odds, however,

with the expectation of MPs on both

sides of the House of Commons

• Father Ryan has threatened to go on hunger strike in the Republic rather than face trial in Britain

By Richard Ford, Philip Webster and Jamie Detimer

The Government called for a quick and successful response from the Irish Republic yesterday to its request for the extradition of Father Patrick Ryan, the alleged IRA terrorist.

But as it did so, the Prime Minister was accused by Mr Neil Kin-nock of providing terrorists with "enriched oxygen" by the way she launched her attacks on the Irish and Belgian governments.

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All Sections

press conference at West-minster last night that Mrs Margaret Thatcher's words

RUC sees man named as plotter

By Jamie Dettmer

An Irish Republican whom Scotland Yard wanted to question in 1983 over an alleged IRA plot to kill Mrs Margaret Thatcher and other politicians during the general dection campaign is being interviewed by the RUC after walking into a Kent police station on Wednesday.

Scan O'Callaghan, aged 34 a former Sinn Fein councillor from Tralee, Co Kerry, walked into Tunbridge Wells police station and was transferred to Castlereagh Prison in Northern Ireland. The RUC is questioning him in connection with offences in Ulster. O'Callaghan, who left Tralee in November 1985, had telephoned an Irish newspaper to say he was taking the action in the hope of dispelling rumours in his home town that he had

become a police informer. When he was named by Scotland Yard O'Callaghan denied being in Britain during the election. He said that he had lived in Britain for a few vears but had left in 1978.

He was detained by Irish police when the IRA gun-running trawler Marita Ann was seized in 1984 but released without charge. In 1985, he won a Sinn Fein

seat on Tralee council but vanished a few mnnths later with his English girlfriend and his baby daughter.

IN PART 2 **BS** confidence

Government advisers are confident the share offer for the £2 billion British Steel will be fully subscribed when it closes at 10am today after a late flurry of applications from private investors...... Page 25

Top score draw West Ham United and Aston Villa, the two highest scorers in the fourth round of the Littlewoods Cup, will meet in the fifth round at Upton ... Page 44

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Law Report. On This Day

were more likely to have great pity that the Prime hindered international co-op- Minister chose to use tantrum eration against terrorism than

to have helped. He accused her of using "tantrum language" and of allowing her objective of defeating terrorism to be obscured by her "taste for

Patrick Mayhew, the Attorney

Ryan interview Parliament ... Rhodes summit.

General, said that as the Irish The Labour leader told a authorities had not raised queries on the extradition warrants, he hoped for a "speedy and favourable" decision by the republic's Attor-

He outlined in detail the legal moves made to bring Father Ryan to Britain and said the Metropolitan Police had been told by the Garda that no action was to be taken until the Irish Attorney General had spoken to him. "No complaint, or even query, has been raised about the sufficiency or propriety of any documentation which is before the Irish Attorney

However, on both sides of the Commons there is little that. real expectation that Father Ryan will leave the Republic, given the political controversy

recovering from a 22-day hun- she says she wants to take ger strike, said he would starve away from them." to death in the Republie rather

In his first interview since
the extradition crisis began,
Father Ryan told The TipThe Labour leader said the perary Star. "If I have to go on hunger and thirst strike again, returned alive to face a British

Mr Kinnock made his at- Minister. tack as Mrs Thatcher left for the European Council Summit in Rhodes, where she will meet Mr Charles Haughey, the Irish Republie's Prime Minister, this morning. Mr Kinnock said: "It is a

to leave open the possibility of

an eventual government move

to remove mortgage interest

payments from the Retail

Ministers have emphasized

that Britain is one of the few

countries to include mortgage

interest payments in the infla-

On Tuesday Mr Nigel

Lawson, the Chancellor of the

Exchequer, confirmed that

without that element inflation

Price Index calculation.

tion calculation.

Leaders clash on

RPI mortgage-link

By Robin Oakley, Political Editor

The Prime Minister, in repeated clashes with Mr Neil Kinnock yesterday, appeared Mrs Thatcher stuck firmly

omitted.

Prime Ministerial histrionics are not a satisfactory basis for Government action, especially on issues as vital as Earlier in the Commons, Sir combating terrorism. "Repeatedly Margaret Thatcher lets the main objective of securing and improv-

ing co-operation, which is essential to isolating and defeating terrorism, be ob-scured by her taste for melodrama. She seems not to understand the necessity of strictly applying the rule of law in every democratic state in order to deprive terrorism of the sentimental support which comes when supporters of terrorism can claim that the rules have been

language to express herself

about countries with whom

we have a long record of

partnership against terrorism.

The only gainers from such reactions were terrorists, because they could make the claim that changes in antiterrorist laws such as the broadcasting ban were made because their intimidation was succeeding. They had to be fought from the front and separated from the community, but the actions that were being taken did not succeed in

Mr Kinnock was asked whether he was suggesting that Mrs Thatcher was sustaining surrounding the case and terrorism. He replied: "She is growing opposition there to inadvertently - she could not he doing it deliberately -Sir Patrick's plea came as providing them with enriched the priest, in a monastery oxygen, the very stuff of life

Mr Kinnock's attack came than be extradited to face trial amid signs of unease among in Britain for alleged terrorist sources at the Northern Ireland Office and Conservative

language used by Mr Douglas Hurd, the Home Secretary, I will do so. But I will not be and the Attorney General, was a great deal more measured than that from the Prime

to the line that there were "no

immediate proposals" to have

the mortgage element re-moved when Mr Kinnock

asked if she agreed with the

Chancellor that mortgage in-terest payments should be

Mrs Thatcher fuelled the

speculation, however, by add-

ing that the inclusion of

mortgage payments "obscures

the underlying trend".

prejudice He was in favour of Father Ryan's extradition, but said at work Mrs Thatcher's comments had strengthened the view that if the priest were extra-By Tim Jones Continued on page 24, coi 7

The Government yesterday

moved to end discrimination in the workplace by publishing an Employment Bill aimed at giving genuine equality of opportunity for men and

The Bill which, for example will enable women to become miners, recognizes their grow-ing importance in the labour market and gives them the right to statutory redundancy payments up to the same age

But major clauses in the Bill were attacked by both the Labour Party and the TUC. Mr Michael Meacher, Shadow Employment spokesman, was highly critical of the proposal to end restrictions on the working hours of the young. Mr John Monks, deputy general secretary of the TUC, described the Bill as "a charter

for the bad employer" Details, page 4

The onslaught yesterday the industry for privatization. Kremlin apologies for reform mix-up

Moscow (AP) - The Supreme the deputies that a storm of Soviet, the nearest that the controversy over the reform Kremlin has to a national parliament, yesterday adopted President Gorbachov's overhaul of the country's political structure in a near-unanimous vnte after he apologized for inadequately explaining the proposal at its introduction

five weeks ago. Five deputies out of 1,500 voted against the peckage of constitutional amendments, which gives more power to the president and provides for indirect election of the president and lawmakers.

Greater opposition had been expected, since deputies had requested numerous changes in the complex package. But the handful of votes against was a rarity in the Supreme Soviet, which has dutifully subberstamped the wishes of the Kremlin leaderago. President Gorbachov told

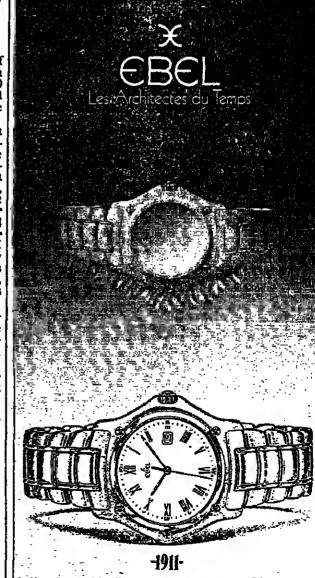
package - including 250,000 letters to the Kremlin - could have been reduced, and he

took the blame He said that "we did not care about explaining the es-sence, the meaning of the changes. Mr Gorbachov admitted: "The centre was just following the old practice, thinking, well, they would get

Kremlin warning...

used to it. That is why I reiterate that all of us are now learning our lessons. All of us are in a school of democracy, and we should be good pupils in that school,"

Soviet newspapers first published the draft language of the complex revisions to 117 articles of the Constitution and election law in late October. ship for decades. The first The changes were not ex-"no" votes came just a month plained at the time, nor was it Continued on page 24, col 1



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Businesswoman denies crossbow killing charge

Miss Diana Maw: Killed instantly outside flat.

By Mark Souster A businesswoman was remanded in custody yesterday until December 8,

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charged with the crossbow killing of Miss Diana Maw. Miss Jane Salveson, aged 35, a design consultant, of Aynhoe Road, Brook Green, West Kensington, west London, was arrested and charged on Wednesday night after an identification parade at

Ealing Police Station. Ealing Magistrates Court was told that Miss Salvesoo was the girl friend of Miss Maw's boy friend hefore the relationship broke up earlier this year.

Mr Brian Raymond, for Miss Salve-son, said his client "emphatically and categorically" denied any iovolvement in this "horrible murder". However, her bail application was rejected by Mr Frank Palmer, chairman of the magistrates, sitting with two other magistrates.

Miss Maw, aged 36, a management executive, was found dead on July 20 outside her £130,000 flat in Stanley Court, Ealing, with a six-inch crossbow bolt in her head. The court was told the bolt had severed her spinal column. She died instantly in what the police said was

a million-to-one shot. Detective Inspector Stuart Bulger, of the Ealing police, said: " This offence revolves to a large extent around the behaviour or history of this defendant in the months leading up to this murder".

He said it was feared Miss Salveson might commit further offences, specifically against her former boy friend. He said she had deliberately kept observa-

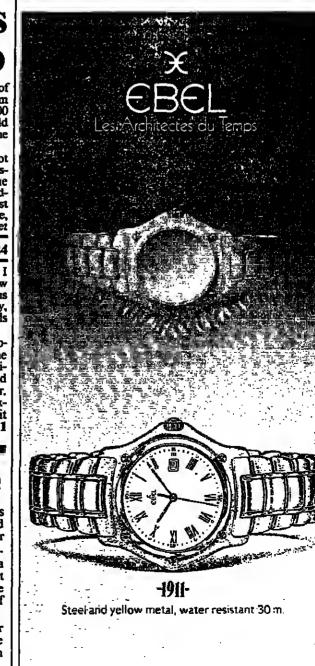
visited both of them several times. Miss Salveson had behaved in a jealous and irrational manner over the loss of her

boy friend to the victim. Mr Bulger said. He said the police had consulted a Home Office psychologist and it was felt "there may also be a real fear for the safety of her ex-boy friend at her hands if she is granted bail."

However, Mr Bulger admitted under questioning by Mr Raymond that the psychologist had not seen Miss Salveson hut had relied upon police evidence.

Mr Bulger said she could also interfere with some of the 300 witnesses interviewed hy the police, many of them friends, colleagues and workmates of Miss Salveson, some of whom had detailed "her bizarre actions, state of

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Falklands deaths were accidental

An RAF Chinook helicopter crashed into a remote hillside in the Falklands in appalling weather, known as a "white out", an inquest was told yesterday.

Those killed in the crash were: Flight Lieutenant David Browning, aged 23, the co-pilot, Sergeant Wayne Hopson, aged 27, of the RAF, and rifleman Toyabahadur Gurung, aged 33, a Gurkha. Fifteen other Gurkhas and two crew, iceluding the pilot, survived the crash in May 1986 although many were badly injured. They had been returning to base from an exercise.

Squadron Leader Peter Hallett, of RAF Odiham, who was in charge of the Mount Pleasant helicopter squadroo at the time of the crash, said a white out created an appalling problem for a piloL

Mr Nicholas Gardiner, the Oxford coroner, recording verdicts of accidental death, said: "The Falklands are notorious for the rapidly changing nature of the weather". The inquests were held in Oxford because the bodies were flown back to RAF Brize Norton in Oxfordshire.

Boycott threatened

The Law Society, the solicitors' professional body, is considering boycotting the new Legal Aid Board over proposals 10 enable a range of legal work to be done by advice agencies rather than solicitors. Yesterday the new Legal Aid Board, which takes over the running of the £500 millioo a year legal aid scheme next April 1, outlined what kind of legal aid advice work might be "contracted out" to citizens' advice bureaux and others. It says there are areas of work where there is a considerable amount of experience.

Verdict on producer

An assistant BBC television producer working on the Zircoo spy satellite programme was seen walking on the roof of the corporation's studios in Lime Grove, west Londoo, seconds before he fell to his death, an inquest was told yesterday. Dr John Burton, the Hammersmith coroner, returning an open verdict oo Mr Clifford Smith, aged 25, of East Sheen, south-west London, said he could find no "logical explanation" for the incident last September. Dr Burton said that Mr Smith bypassed the obvious place from which to jump and his death appeared to have been accidental.

£50m milk payout The Government has given British milk producers free

quotas worth £50 million, the National Audit Office said vesterday. "No restriction was placed on the disposal of this free quota which some recipients subsequently sold or leased", the office said. While it had belped some farmers "it has resulted in a sector of the dairy industry being given a free disposable asset at a cost of £50 million to the taxpayer". The office also called for more milk to be distributed at schools. That milk received a Euro-subsidy and iocreased use of the scheme would help reduce the milk surplus.

Dr Higgs rejected

Dr Marietta Higgs, who was involved in the Cleveland child abuse controversy, yesterday failed to be elected to the executive committee of the British Association for the Study and Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect after threats that other members would resign. Mr Ian Robertson, a former Berkshire assistant county solicitor, who chaired the society's annual meeting at the Shire Hall, Reading, said he would have to coosider his position on the council if she

Piper Alpha decision

Most families in the biggest, single legal group contesting elaims after the Piper Alpha disaster yesterday accepted compensation offers from Occidental, the platform operators. The decision was announced by Mr David Burnside, spokesman for the Piper Alpha Disaster Group, which represents the families of 136 victims and 50 survivors of the explosion on July 6. The overall settlement will mean average payments of £600,000 which are expected to be settled early in the new year.

Ryan warns he won't be 'taken alive'

By Jamie Dettmer Irish Affairs Correspondent

Father Patrick Ryan, the alleged IRA terrorist, gave a warning that he would fast to death to evade extradition to Britain where he is wanted in connection with 185 bombings.

in an interview with a small Tipperary newspaper earlier this week, Father Ryan said: "I shall not. neither from Ireland, Brussels or any place else be taken alive to be put before a British tribunal".

Father Ryan, aged 58, said he did not expect a fair trial in Britain. He questioned the "validity of an English court to pronounce against me, an Irishman, for doing my

patriotic duty". Father Ryan denied that he is an IRA member or that he ever was one. According to the reporter who carried out the interview for the Tipperary Star, Father Ryan went on to

explain why he was oot a member. "He said he liked to keep his independence and belonged to no political party."

He also maintained that he had never purchased arms or explosives for the IRA and that he would refuse to do so if asked. Of his 14 years spent fund-raising io Europe, he claimed that the pro-

ceeds - "more than a few pence, a lot of money" - went to the "vic-tims of the political simuation on the nationalist side" in Northern Ire-land. He did oot define who the victims were.

He said that be left his order to make "a more direct contributioo towards beloing nationalists".

Of his arrest in a Brussels flat last June, he admitted that the police did find manuals oo explosives. How-ever, he said: In my living room they found all kinds of books. I am excellent mechanic, very good with

on all these subjects. I have also books oo music as I play the mandolio and banjo."

He disclosed that he planned bis 22-day hunger strike in Brussels in a calculating way. He said it was designed to pressurize the Belgium authorities not to extradite him. He had timed a "thirst strike" so that be would die before there was any chance of being flown to Britain to face trial.

He also acknowledged that he had used false passports during the past few years. However, he maintained that the reason was not clandestine but rather because he was being stopped at frontiers and prevented from proceeding while fund raising for the dependents of lrish prisoners. He did oot explain why he thought dozens of western European

electronics, a good plumber, carpenter, welder. I have a variety of books Ann O'Grady, a family friend, was conducted last Monday while Ryan was in the £300-a-day Blackrock Clinic, Dublin.

The reporter the priest looked "drawn and frail". She said Father Ryan said he was "feeling basically fine but a little weak". He complained of dizzy spells.

The former African missionary explained in a extraordinarily blunt passage why he had left the Pallottine Order. He said he had told bis superiors he wanted to continue his mission but that, "instead of my efforts being directed towards the Africans, they would be directed against the Africans in Northern Ireland". He said that by the Africans in Northern Ireland, be meant the British.

Father Ryao claimed that be was arrested by the Belgian police last June because of an impending visit security services had him marked as by the Queen to The Netherlands.

He said his hunger strike of 22 days was not a long period. He thought be might have to go to 40 or 45 days. He was "playing the situation by ear as I went along".

He said he received information last week which led him to believe that had "he continued with merely a hunger strike he would have ended up with Maggie Thatcher". So he determined on a thirst strike, which normally means you are dead in five to six days." Father Ryan said.

"I had decided that under no circumstances was I going to be put before an English court. And to that end I was sending a strong signal to the British and to the Belgians. To the British, to say there was no point in continuing to ask for mc unless they wanted a corpse, and the Belgians, that if a decision to extradite me was given. I would never arrive alive."

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Strength of forces down by 4,000

By Michael Evans, Defence Correspondent

because of the demographic time bomb is already taking effect, according to figures published by the Ministry of Defence yesterday.

The total strength of the armed forces dropped by about 4,000 since last year, with all three services showing a reduction in manpower.

The ministry disclosed that while recruiting continued to show a decline, more officers and servicemen were leaving the forces. The loss of 9,750 during the

last quarter up to the end of September was nearly 7 per cent higher than in the same period last year,

All three services are oow drawing up proposals to counter the problem.

Demographic studies have shown that the number of young people aged between 16 and 19 is likely to go down by 26 per cent by 1994. This is of particular concern

for Army chiefs, since 80 per cent of soldiers are recruited between the ages of 16 and 19. The Army and the Royal Navy have indicated that recruiting woman could be

one way of boosting numbers. Yesterday's figures showed the number of women in the Army and the RAF had fallen, women in the Royal Navy. the same quarter last year.

The recruiting crisis expected The Army has already proby the three armed services duced a report, as yet unpublished, and decisions based on the findings will be made within the next six months

> Ministry sources yesterday admitted: "The indications are that the demographic problems are already beginning to bite.

"The figures prove that the population trend is not just an abstract ootion. It really is going to have a serious impact."

Earlier this month Mr Roger Freeman, Under-Secretary of State for the Armed Forces, in a written Commons answer, said the Army was beginning to have difficulties in recruiting.

He said additional measures were being considered to increase public awareness of the career opportunities which the Army has to offer".

Measures under consideration by the Army include televisioo advertisemeots, abolitioo of sbort-service gratuities and making more use of women.

Yesterday's figures showed that the total strength of the services was now 315,059, about 700 fewer than last June.

The total intake in the last quarter, from July 1 to although there was a marginal September 30, was 9,054, increase in the number of nearly 5 per cent lower than in

Facing up to campaign issues



An aside from Mr Steven Norris convulses Mr Norman Tebbit at yesterday's Conservative by-election press conference.

By Richard Ford Political Correspondent

The parties of the centre spent yesterday busily claiming to detect signs that Conservative support in the Epping Forest by election is crambling.

To help it cramble even faster, they highlighted their local connections in the constituency while portraying the Conservative candidate as a outsider.

Mr Andrew Thompson, the Demo-crats' candidate, said he had found a large number of local voters disillusioned with the Government, "People are very concerned about interest and mortgage rate rises. They know there is another one to come in the new year." Mr

Thompson, who emphasizes that he lives in the constituency and served as a local councilior, added: "Local people resent the fact that they have someone imposed

Mr Michael Pettman, of the Social Democrats, said he found in a canvass of "perhaps 10 per cent" in the constit-nency, signs that the Conservative vote was no longer solid. "They are turning to us", he said.

The Conservative candidate, Mr Steven Norris, described claims that he was an "outsider" fnisted on the constituency as fatnous. Everyone understood that he and his wife had undertaken "to live

Mr Nerris had a formidable ally in the

person of Mr Norman Tebbit to fire more salvoes at opponents. "I seem to remem-ber, there was a Labour fellow who sat for one of those rather southern seats and then went off to somewhere in Wales" Mr Tebbit said. "Ah yes, Foot was his name. I am not sure he was ever accused of carpetbagging.

The rivals of Labour's Mr Stephen Murray, were yesterday wondering whether he was campaigning for the December 15 by-election. The SDP candidate called it a "pretty half-hearted effort".

General election: Sir John Biggs-Davison (C) 31,536; Mr Anthony Humphris (SDP-All) 10,023; Mr Stephen Murray (Lab) 9,499; R.Denhard (Green) 695. C majority: 21,513.

Mappa Mundi sale may be put off

By Craig Seton and Sarah Jane Checkland

dral are considering postpon-ing the sale of the thirteenthcentury Mappa Mundi.

This came after a meeting Patrick Cormack, the Conserfor the first time of all the vative MP for Staffordshire withdrawn from sale, if only warring parties involved. The South who is chairman of the

The first signs emerged yes- meeting in London on all party beritage group in terday that the Dean and Wednesday included Lord Parliament and the Very Rev Chapter of Hereford Cathe- Charteris of Amisfield, chair- Peter Haynes, Dean of Hereford man of the National Heritage Memorial Fund, Lord Gowrie. chairman of Sotheby's, Mr

Lord Charteris said yesterday: "I bope that next week we shall hear the map has been

Anthony Hickman Our report (October 24) of the Hickman Estate Agents Ltd, of Gloucester at £37,000 stated it was resold a week later for £46,500. In fact, following its reweeks after the first sale, it was sold for £46,000 four months later. We accept that Hickmans neither undervalued the property, nor acted in any way improperly in handling it, and we apologize for any embarrassment they may have bee

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Aids Day By Thomson Prentice

Science Correspondent

World Aids Day was marked

in 142 countries yesterday

with memories of the past and

fears for the future. In Britain,

it came seven years too late for

He pmbably caught the disease sometime in 1981. On July 4, 1982, in St Thomas'

Hospital, south London, he

became the first person in Britain to die of it. He was 37.

Britain have developed Aids

and 1.034 of them have died.

Fifty thousand others are be-lieved infected and govern-

ment experts predict a death

toll up to 17,000 in the next

The World Health Organ-

ization, which promnted World Aids Day, calculates that half a million people in

those 142 countries have prob-

ably fallen ill with the disease

in the past seven years, and

that as many as 10 million

In London, Sir Donald Ach-

eson, the Government's chief

medical officer, said Aids was

more lethal than smallpox, which killed only 40 per cent

Sooner or later, the huma

immunodeficiency virus (HTV)

is expected to have a mortality rate of at least 80 per cent, he

Professor Michael Adler, a leading specialist, of the Middlesex Hospital, London,

said that by 1992, Aids in

others are infected.

of those it struck.

Since then, 1,926 others in

Terrence Higgins.

nity. According to a news agency report yesterday, Aids does not exist in North Korea, due to the moral leadership of President Kim II Sung.

Mother 'admitted she killed her first child'

murder of her baby daughter aged 16 months, died from a some considerable regard", 10-week-old son less than cruelty. three years earlier.

Mr Stephen Spurr, a team leader for Harrow social services, told the Central Criminal Court that Miss Christine him on January 24, 1985, five Mason, aged 22, had admitted days after Carl's death and kicking and dropping her son, after the police questioning Carl, who died on January 19, and post-mortem examin-

Miss Mason and Mr Eddie Fisher, her boy friend at the at a hostel with a new boy time and the boy's father, were friend. They had been arguing interviewed by a senior detec- in her room, which was distive at Slough police station. A orderly and damaged, Mr coroner later decided that Carl Spurr said. was a cot death victim.

suffered an earlier brain haemand bruising but these injuries swings." were found not to have contributed to the death.

Miss Mason and Mr Roy Aston, aged 24, her boy friend, deny murder and child cruelty their council flat Walworth, south London.

A woman on trial for the Mason's second child Doreen kind man for whom I had tremely aggressive and overallegedly told a social worker brain haemorrhage after Mr Spurr said. that she had smothered her months of battering and

Mason made the confession to

At that time she was staying

"She said that she and A post-mortem examina- Eddie Fisher had smothered tion showed that the boy had Carl and that she had also dropped him and kicked him. orrhage as well as rib fractures She suffered from wild mood Mr Spurr said that later she

was hlaming Mr Fisher for Carl's death and he had received information to that effect from Miss Mason's "I knew Eddie Fisher quite

The court was told Miss well and he was a gentle and

After the birth of Doreen Mason on May 22, 1986, a over her". Cross-examined by Miss social workers' case con-Ann Curnow, QC, for Mr ference was held and the bahy Aston, Mr Spurr said Miss was put on a council's at-risk register because of the circumstances of Carl's death.

> Mr Spurr agreed with Miss Curnow that there was considerable worry for Doreen centre, but she continued to because of the circumstances of Carl's death. He said Miss Mason be-

> came obsessive about Carl's after Carl's death he was death although he ceased to have contact with her after she moved from Berkshire, where he was then working, to Earlier, under cross-exam-

ined by Mr Robert Watson, for Miss Mason, Mr Spurr said Miss Mason's family background had been "full of tragedy". Her parents had divorced and her father was granted custody, although she and her sister, Carolyn, were both the subject of care orders. Mr John Mason, he said,

was a psychopath and "an ex-

bearing man who disapproved of Miss Mason's boy friends and had a strong influence

He allegedly influenced her to resist help from social service and health workers when her first child was born.

Eventually Miss Mason left home and a place was found for her in a residential family resist help. Mr Spurr said when Miss Mason called on him two days

neglect or ill treatment of the He said: "Miss Mason was extremely grieved and quite manic for several months after

surprised because he had

never had any indication of

Carl's death". Mrs Elizabeth Bowen. friend of the defendants, said she visited their flat days before Doreen died and Miss Mason allegedly told her: "I wish I didn't have that little bastard. If I didn't I would

The trial continues today.

Civil Servants in contracts swindle

Two Civil Servants and a Hunt, a "regular churchgoer" builder were convicted yesterday for their part in a multimillion pound government department swindle involving call girls, large cash bribes and

The Civil Servants were approached by builders wanting to make sure they could get contracts from the Government's £700 million budget for the maintenance of royal palaces, law courts and other public buildings.

The convictions yesterday trials at the Central Criminal vants and 10 contractors were charged with corruption. One contractor was found not geant Geoffrey Robertson, of guilty. The rest were con-

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Most of the Civil Servants

of Kingsway, West Wickham, Kent, was jailed for 12

months. O'Brien, of St Martin's Estate, Tulse Hill, was given a nine-month suspended sen-

Algar, of Langdale Road, Thornton Heath, Surrey, was given a six-month suspended sentence. He has been made bankrupt and his company is in liquidation.

Judge Kenneth Machin, QC, said he had given O'Brien were the last in a series of four and Algar suspended sentences because he felt they had Court over the past 12 played a minor role compared months. In all 10 Civil Ser- with the roles of others inwith the roles of others involved in the corruption. He commended Det Ser-

> the company fraud squad, for the investigation.

Most of the Civil Servants worked for the Property Services Agency, which is controlled by the Department of Civil Servants, the court was told. The fiddles were paid for Department of Civil Servants, the court was told. The fiddles were paid for the Department of Civil Servants, the court was told.

terday were Stanley Hunt. In 1986-87, when the police aged 65, a former Greater investigation had put an end London Council official, Den- to bribery, the expenditure on nis O'Brien, aged 65, a PSA maintenance at one office had official, and Peter Algar, aged dropped by £1.5 million, or 41 56, a building contractor, per cent, the court was told.

Rule protects cash awards in divorces

By Frances Gibb, Legal Affairs Correspondent

divorce proceedings will bene-fit from rules which came into force yesterday which will ensure that cash awards to buy a new home are not swallowed up in repaying legal aid costs.

The previous rule, which could cause hardship, meant that where a legally aided husband or wife was awarded money to buy a new home, the Law Society, which runs the legal aid scheme, had first claim to recoup its costs from the money.

However, under regulatious brought in by the Lord Chancellor's Department yesterday, they can postpone the enforcement of the charge may be also be possible in gaining a lump sum. some circumstances for the charge to be transferred to a different property when the original home is sold.

The change means that the 11,000 people a year now having to pay their costs at once from their lump sum will awarded the matrimonial interest.

they would give in to their

Thousands of people in home - and have not been penalized by the "clawback" of costs - will now have to pay interest to the Legal Aid Fund.

The law at present is anomalous in that people who are not awarded a lump sum but instead gain the matrimonial home can defer the repayment of legal costs until they sell, possibly many years later. In effect they have enjoyed an interest-free loan. But those who win a lump sum must pay up immediately.

postpones repayment to the Legal Aid Fund will have to pay interest, as with a mortgage. That applies to those until the new home is sold. It awarded the home and those

cent but may be varied by the Lord Chancellor in line with general interest rates.

From now on anyone who

The rate is fixed at 12 per

In the year up to March 1987, the Law Society reg-istered just over 10,000 new so-called "statutory charges" have the option of deferring the majority against matrithe payment. But another monial homes. All those 10,000 people who are people will now have to pay



A victor in fight for life Memories

The Princess of Wales receiving a bouquet from Charlotte Levy, aged eight, at a Lunch for Life charity event in London yesterday. Charlotte was not expected to live, after being born jnst 25 weeks after conception, but she survived after heart surgery (Thomson

Prentice writes).

David Frost, the television mature infants by up to 70 per presenter, was host. He, with cent. other personalities, has helped raise £2 million for Birthright,

Birthright has also helped give healthy babies to women who otherwise would have been childless, Mr Frost said yesterday.

search into the causes and Donations to the appeal prevention of premature should be sent to David Frost, Lunch for Life, c/o TV-am, The occasion was sponsored The work has improved the Hawley Crescent, London by the TSB group and Mr survival rate of some pre-

'Sex with detective' man is jailed

the charity, whose patron is

The charity is funding re-

the Princess

conspiracy has been found guilty and jailed for 15 months. The judge at Warwick Crown Court also

The man who had a sexual ordered that Tony Marren, Lowe, aged 32, of Milverton relationship with Miss Susan aged 31, who during the trial Road, all Coventry, had de-James - a woman detective sold his story to a Sunday nied conspiring to obtain constable who later resigned - newspaper for £5,000, should property from shops by decepafter he was charged with pay £5,000 towards the tion using stolen credit cards. prosecution costs.

David Rowe, aged 41, of months after he admitted a Dennis Road, and David further offence while on bail.

Rowe was jailed for two Marren, of the Greenfield, years, Lowe was jailed for 21

Britain will be a hillion pound a year disease in drug and treatment costs.

Despite all the figures and predictions, it was still necessary for Mr David Mellor, the Minister of State for Health, to give a warning yesterday against "cosy complacency".

It is different in the United

States. Aids is the leading cause of death in New York City among men and women aged between 25 and 44. It is different in Belgium,

where 51 per cent of recorded cases have a heterosexual element. In France - which has the highest total in Europe, more

than twice the British level heterosexual infection is a grim reality. It always was in most of Africa.

In Zambia, President Kenneth Kaunda, whose son died of Aids two years ago, said his country would be "finished" if the epidemic was not halted. Some countries claim immu-

ITV goes downmarket at Christmas

By Andrew Billen Arts Correspondent

Channel 4's Christmas schedule announced earlier this week was thrown into relief yesterday with the unveiling of independent television's plans for the season.

Christmas Day is domi-nated by Blind Date, Corona-tion Street, a Michael Craw-ford Save The Children special, The Empire Strikes Back and London's Burning. The rest of the week features special editions of comedies and game shows.

Some observers said the holiday schedule was the most downmarket they could re-

Programme controllers at a press launch were unable to point to a single cultural event on independent television during the 11 days of Christ-

Parents are spending up to an average of £109 on presents a child at Christmas - partly because of television advertisements promoting expensive toys, n report published today states (Richard Evans writes). The nationwide survey of 501 mothers with children under 18 shows that seven out of 10 believe their youngsters' gift choices are dictated by television com-

of the year. Mr David Elstein, director of programmes at Thames, said it had been cultural alternative.

grammes are made by independent television com-Company's Twelfth Night and programmes, as opposed to home-produced drama.

mericals — and they do not like it. Half the mothers said

decided not to divide the Several of Channel 4's pro-

children's demands, even if the toy was more than they London's Burning (the fire could afford or if they thought it was unsuitable. The survey, Uait for Bella magazine, says families with incomes of less edition of Minder, heralding a than £10,000 a year are more likely than wealthier parents to spend £100 or more on a child's present. Bicycles head the Princess Royal, features boys' present lists, followed by competers, while girls want clothes followed by dolls.

audience and to allow Channel 4 to provide a clear Stoppard's The Dog It Was

Television production; Tom
British programme, viewers
tended to record the former production.

the English National Opera's Xerxes are produced by Thames; Wildcat Theatre's The Steamie is a Scottish That Died is a Granada

brigade drama series will feature no serious injury on by the Business Research Christmas Day) is joined later in the week by a special The Save the Children special, with an introduction hy

The special edition of

carols sung hy the stars of West End shows and Michael Crawford visiting relief workers in Uganda. Mr Greg Dyke, controller of London Weekend Television, said that when there was a

choice of a film and a popular and watch the latter. Mr Elstein said that the

Yesterday, independent strategy was important in television officials placed em- "branding" independent telepanies: Renaissance Theatre phasis on home-produced vision as a provider of quality

Government provides boost for civil marriages

By David Walker

The Government hopes to make civil marriage ceremonies more attractive by reforming birth, death and marriage registration procedures.

Presenting a Green Paper on registration yesterday, Mrs riages and cut rising illegiti-Edwina Currie, Under-Sec-retary of State for Health, said reform would take the system

Mr Timothy Hugh, principal cellist of

attached to its strings to dull the sound

for the first performance of a piano

concerto, subtitled Zeitzeichen-Zeit-masse, by Mr Helmuth Flammer. The

orchestra of 100 at a cost of £30,000.

The entire orchestra objected to the piece. Mr Rodney Friend, the leader, wrote to management complaining of the "abuse" to instruments and the humili-

from the era of the quill pen into the twenty-first century.

Wales can take place only in certificates will in future be into the twenty-first century.

designated register offices. In issued only by a doctor who She hoped a proposal freeing registrars to conduct marriages ontside town halls and register offices would cause a boom in civil mar-

macy rates. Under existing legislation, Other proposals include:

future, councils may authorize has attended the deceased the use of any suitable public person at least once during the premises, including hotels. 14 days before death and who inspected the body after death. • Entering the mother's occu- • Tightening procedures for pation on hirth certifi- issning birth certificates.

Under existing legislation,

Ending the role of registrars Registration: A Modern Service marriages in England and in certifying deaths. Medical (Stationery Office; £5.90).

Cellist defends protest over concerto

the BBC Symphony Orchestra, yes-terday broke his silence on why he in both hands and force it across the strings at triple forte, as well as striking seemingly deviated from the score during the instrument with it. the recording of a piece of modern music by a German composer and then Mr Hugh, aged 28, decided his own cello would be badly damaged and used smashed his instrument as a protest. an old instrument at the studios in Maida Boits were allegedly driven through a Vale, west London. After the 25-minute Steinway grand piano and pieces of twine

soloist, to slight applause from the andience of 60. Mr Hugh then smashed his instrument while the recording light was still on. "I was the only musician who played the piece was rehearsed for three days hy the piece properly. The cello was wrecked, with all the bow hairs destroyed, and so I

piece the conductor congratulated the

By Andrew Morgan

required the cello section to take the bow

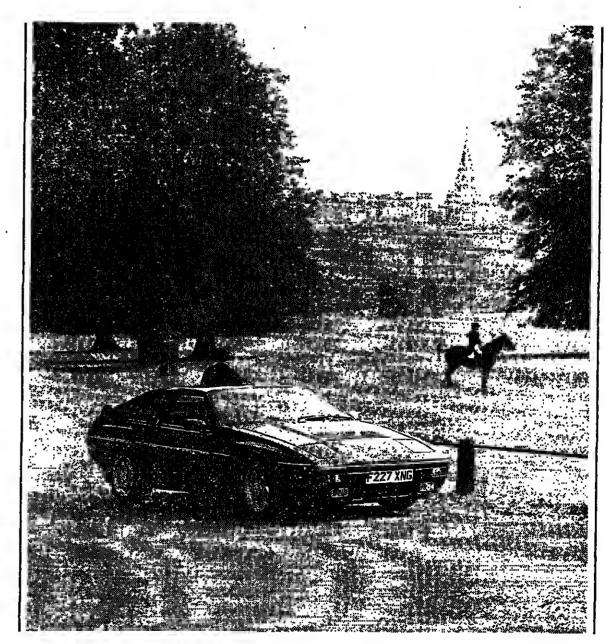
thought I'd finish it off", he said. The audience, unsure if Mr Hugh's ation in being forced to play the piece by
Mr Flammer, a friend of Mr Lothar

remained quiet until the orchestra started

Zagrosek, the conductor. The score cheering him. The audience then started to boo loadly. However one member of the audience said Mr Hugh's action had made the evening worthwhile.

Mr Hugh, a regular performer of con-temporary music, described the composer as "a man of no talent" and said half the BBC recordings of contemporary pieces should never be made. "This man Flammer is an aural vandal who will do anything to get attention. It should never have been placed before us

and it was a gross abuse of licence money", he said. The concerto was refused by an orchestra in Essen, West Germany, but the BBC decided it would be a worthy Investment. Nn transmission date has been fixed. The orchestra's management was last night considering disciplinary action against Mr Hugh.





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Privatization programme climax brings largest-ever flotation

A power game role for all the people

 The Bill to privatize the electricity industry in England and Wales and the complimentary Bill to privatize the industry in Scotland mark the climax of the Government's privatization programme and will be the biggest-ever

stock market flotation.

 Mr Cecil Parkinson, the Secretary of State for Energy, said yesterday that the first principle in his Bill was that decisions about the supply of electricity should be driven by the needs of all customers. The second was that competition was the best guarantee of customers' interests and, thirdly, regulation should promote competition. oversee prices and protect customer interest where monopolies will remain.

By David Young, Energy Correspondent

 Mr Parkinson is also concerned that the security and safety of supply is maintained,, the customers should be given new rights, not just safeguards. and that all who work in the industry should be offered a direct stake in their fature, new career opportunities and the freedom to manage their commercial affairs without Government

• The Bill confirms the split of the Central Electicity Generating Board into two new companies and the transfer of the control of the national grid to the supply companies. The supply companies will be formed from the existing 12 area electricity boards and apart from one board chairman, who is to retire in June, the existing chairmen have already been appointed chairmandesignate of the boards.

 Mr Parkinson said yesterday that the Government was now on target with its programme to move the industry into the private sector. Customers and employees in the industry will be encouraged to buy shares, with special of-fers being promoted by the Government

 Overseas sales will also take place, although Mr Parkinson said that it was expected that a limit of a maximum shareholding of around 15 per cent would be introduced and the Government would retain "Golden Shares" in the new companies.

following main categries:

REGULATION

The need for regulation has been a key element of Mr Parkinson's planning Initially, the two new generating companies will have a dominant position in the market. Contracts put in place before. privatization for supply from existing power stations will therefore be subject to the approval of the Secretary of

There will also be some limits to the length of these initial contracts so that they will be subject to renegotiation as competition develops. The regulatory regime will also ensure that customers and generators can obtain access to the transmission and distribution systems on non discriminatory terms.

The National Grid Company will have a monopoly in transmitting electricity at high voltage. Effective regulation will ensure that the general level of its charges is fair and that it does not discriminate between users of the system. The regulatory regime will

be supervised by a Director General of Electrical Supply and will operate mainly through a system of licences.

There will be one Director for England, Wales and Scotland.

A clause of the Bill will prohibit any person from generating, transmitting or supplying electricity without the appropriate licence (nr exemption) to do so, while others will enable the licences to include certain conditions, and will uhlige the licenceholder to comply with them. There will be safeguards on the handling of commercially sensitive information

There will be two types of electricity supply licence. One type, known as the first-tier icence, will be granted in. those suppliers who have an obligation to supply all cus-namers within their area no request. These public electricity suppliers will comprise, initially at least, the Area Boards' successor companies. First-tier licences will include conditions establishing the area in which consumers are to be supplied, imposing theprice control formula, requiring the ring-fencing of the supply, distribution and generation activities, and dluwing third party access to the distribution system. In addition, the Bill places a duty on a public electricity supplier in develop an efficient system

nf electricity supply. The other type of licence, known as the second-tier ticence, will be available to suppliers who wish to contract in supply electricity to specific safeguard the consumer, and

Details of the Bill cover the .supplying large industrial cus-

companies would contract with the supply companies for use of their distribution networks to supply such cus-tomers. They will have nn statutory obligation to supply, and will be given compulsory purchase powers and street works powers only to the extent provided in their licences. Price and conditions of supply will be for the suppliers' and their

will be required to hold a generation licence. One of the principal purposes of these licences will be to confer certain rights and obligations on the licence holder, for example powers to break streets. Their ohligations will include submitting plant to merit order dispatch, compliance with an operating code and provision of information

The generation licences issued to National Power and PowerGen will also prohibit cross-subsidy and undue discrimination.

bolder of a transmission licence in England and Wales will be the National Grid transmission licence to develop and maintain an efficient, co-ordinated and economical system of electricity transmission and to facilitate competition in the generation and supply of electricity.

conditions on price, including connection charges, requiring access and use of the transmission system on a nondiscriminatory basis, and requiring the grid company to make available price and technical information to enable prospective users to assess the some functions which are not terms. The Department is

Whenever necessary, these

Generators owning stations of 50MW capacity and above to the Director.

It is expected that the only

to determine disputes about the terms for use of the

SUPERVISION

Electricity Supply will supervise the operation of the regulatory regime. The Bill will oblige the Director to carry out his functions in a number of objectives, including the promotion of competition in the supply and generation of electricity, securing that all reasonable demands for electricity are satisfied and protecting customers interests.

The director will enforce licence conditions, modifying licences with the agreement of the licence holder, refer to the MMC any matter relating to the operation of a licence which operates or may be expected to operate against the national interest, publishing the MMC report on this and modifying licences as a result of the report.

He will also establish consumers' committees, determining disputes between a public electricity supplier and a person requiring a supply, Company. The Bill places a exercise some of the functions duty on the bolder of a of the Director of Fair Trading under the Fair Trading Act 1973 and the Competition Act 1980. He will also report to the Secretary of State and publish reports by consumers' committees.

He will fix maximum prices The licence will include for the resale of electricity, publish information and advice to electricity consumers, and making regulations prescribing individual standards of service, and determine standards of overall performance. The Director will also have

connecting to the grid. The for example assessing the Director will have the power availability of non-fossil fuel

PURCHASING

rect contracts between generators and their customers. This arrangement will also involve a contractual arrangement for use of the transmission system. The direct way best calculated to achieve contracts will involve payments for capacity (kw) and energy (kwh). It has been a primary con-

the merit order dispatch system, whilst moving to a system of contracts between. generators, and their customers, including the supply companies. Under the new arrangements, generators will receive the contract energy price for units taken under the contract. However, the generator will

be able to sub-contract production of the units to any generator that can supply more cheaply. The most eff-icient way for this to happen would be to create a generators pool run by the grid company. Generators would bid prices to the pool and the station with the lowest and so on until total demand on the pool is

The bid prices would be published. Supply companies would benefit from the pool by being able to negotiate finer terms in their contracts in the light of the published hid prices. Distributors are also likely to adopt their own contract pooling arrange-

Privatisation will open up new opportunities for independent power operation. All generators will be able to compete on an equal footing and will have access to the distribution system on similar options and likely costs of part of the regulatory regime, aware of some 15 proposed

There will be a system of collective purchasing and di-

cern to preserve the benefits of

NATIONAL POWER New structure will give managers

TAKING THE POWER TO THE PEOPLE: THE NEW STRUCTURE

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'freedom to use their initiative' The Bill says that the present structure of twelve independent supply companies. the industry means that the industry's Each will have a duty to provide a supply managers do not have the freedom to use at the request of the consumer and The their initiative in the way that private

initial 12 public electricity

Each committee will consist

of a chairman appointed by the Director, after con-

sultation with the Secretary of

State, and between ten and

twenty other members ap-

will keep matters affecting the

interests of electricity con-

sumers under review, advise

the Director and make

representations and consult

with the electricity suppliers.

Director matters relating to electricity suppliers which

appear to be for the exercise of

the Director's licence enforce-

ment functions and, if the

Director so requests, investi-

They will also investigate

other matters relating to electricity suppliers in their

area put to the committee by

interested persons or by the

Director, and where necessary,

refer such matters to the

Director, make reports to the

Director and, if authorized by

the Director, determine dis-

putes over the operation of

The public electricity

suppliers' licence will contain

conditions requiring them to

meet their consumers'

committees at least once a

sumers' complaints handling

procedure in consultation with the consumers'

The chairmen of the

committees can receive re-muneration, pension rights

year and to establish a con-

guaranteed standards.

gate such matters.

They will also refer to the

pointed by the Director.

suppliers.

sector managers can. For example, the Government appoints the members of all the Boards that run the industry, and approves all capital expenditure limits.

Although the Energy Act 1983 contained powers to promote private generation, change has been slow. Private generation has not expanded sufficiently to impose any real competitive pressure on the electricity supply

Mr Parkinson has proposed that the CEGB be split into three new companies - a transmission company (The National Grid Company), a new generating company (PowerGen) formed from about 30% of the CEGB's existing capacity, all of it non-nuclear, and a third (National Power) formed from the remainder of the CEGB, including the nuclear stations. The CEGB's obligation to supply will be removed.

The Area Boards will be privatised as

independent power generation projects which would total

over 5 GW (Gigawatt = thou-

sand megawatts) of new

THE CONSUMER

consumer representation and

protection will be tailored to

the new structure of the

privatized industry and will be

brought within the overall

regulatory framework. The

existing Area Consultative Councils and Electricity Con-

sumers' Council will be dis-

solved and new consumers'

Electricity Supply will have

responsibility for establishing

consumer committees for the

protection and promotion of

consumers' interests. The

Government intends that

committees will be established

The Director General of

committees created.

capacity.

National Grid Company will be transferred to the joint ownership of the new supply companies. The supply companies will be able to contract for electricity from any source, and, within limits, to generate themselves.

The national grid will continue to operate as an integrated network, and The National Grid Company will, as the bolder of a transmission licence, have a statutory duty to maintain an efficient system and to facilitate competition. It will operate the merit order dispatch system, while maintaining the security and stability of the grid system. It will be wholly owned by a holding company belonging to the supply companies. The powers of the holding company will in general be limited to annual approval of medium-term.

Under the new plans there will be no role for the Electricity Council in the privatized industry. Some of its functions will be assumed by the successor companies, whilst others will be handled

by common service organisations working on behalf of the successor companies. Mr Parkinson has said that among benefits of the new structure the CEGB's effective monopoly on supplies will be ended, allowing the introduction of real

The new area dectricity supply ids decide

competition into generation. This will put a downward pressure on costs The major advantages of an integrated system, with a ment order of operation, will be preserved, and all generators will have equal access to the grid. The supply companies who will deal direct with the industry's customers and will best understand their requirements, will have a much greater say in decisions about the number and type of new power stations built. The industry will be freed from Government intervention and the influence of fluctuating political pressures, and from the constraints on financing which public ownership imposes.

Private generators will have greater opportunities. Consumers and employces will be able to have a stake in the new companies and will therefore have real influence on their activities and

be able to establish sub-**Turning** committees with the approval of the Director. SAFETY, QUALITY The regulations will lay down

procedures and standards on quality and safety of supply. they have been thorough revised and brought up to date and will provide a sound basis for the safe operation of the privatised electricity supply,

SUPPLY SECURITY

A secure and reliable supply of electricity is vital. Electricity generated predominantly from one fuel source is vulnerable to world fuel price shocks and interruptions from time to time. There are various ways of guarding against this.

Competition in generation is likely to lead to generation from a variety of fuel sources. But the Government believes that two particular policies, the promotion of diversity and the maintenance of fuel stocks at power stations, should be underpinned hy legislation.

There will be a power to enable the Secretary of State to require first tier supply com-panies to have available for use a certain minimum amount of non-fossil fuelled generating capacity.

Both nuclear and renewable forms of generation can contribute, and the Secretary of State will be able to ensure that renewables which provide an intermittent level of capacity, such as wind, solar and tidal, can make their full con-

on the private

The restructuring of the industry will be implemented by, direct vesting and transfer scheme. The Bill provides that, on a day appointed by the Secretary of State, the Area Boards' undertakings will be directly vested in twelve new supply companies nominated and owned by the Secretary of State. These new companies will then be offered for sale to the public by the Secretary of

The division of the CEGB into three new companies will be more complicated. The Bill requires the CEGB to draw up a scheme for the division of its undertaking into three or more parts, by a date to be nomi-nated by the Secretary of After the Secretary of State

has approved the scheme, on the transfer date appointed each part of the CEGB's undertaking will become the property of the nominated companies, which will be owned by the Secretary of

The transmission company will be transferred to the ownership of the Area Boards. The two new generating com-panies will be sold by the Secretary of State.

The Electricity Council will be required to draw up 2 scheme, by a date nominated by the Secretary of State, for the transfer of its undertaking to companies nominated by the Secretary of State.

companies will be created as a anteed standards of service This latter proposal will result of the Electricity Bill, and set levels of acceptable, enable the boards' present £2.6 million of capital debt and a jointly-owned Scottish nuclear company will also be

ture before the sell-off to the

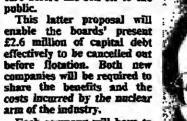
Scottish power debt to be written off

formed to operate the country's nuclear stations. Mr Malcolm Rifkind, the

Secretary of State for Scolland, said that privatization of the existing organizations, the South of Scotland Electricity Board and the North of Scotland Hydro-electric Board, would put one of the country's key industries on a "new and dynamic" basis A new electricity supply

code will be drawn up to

Two new Scottish electricity



arm of the industry. Each company will have to be capable of independe cost, and the widely expected option of exporting to England and Wales should be given to both companies as Scotland has a generating capacity well



"new and dynamic" basis. ointed who will report to the

protected by a code of guarland will be established.

orously enforced after privatiz-ation than they are now", according to the Industry Department for Scotland.

nverall performance. Two new consumer committees for Scot-Safeguards for industry employees will be set out, as will environmental safeguards which will be "no less vig-

The two Scottish companies existing boards, although limited re-structuring will take place to make sure that both A Director General of Secretary of State for Scot- are strong, well-balanced and Electricity Supply will be ap- land. The customer will be commercially sound.

and travelling and other tidal, can allowances, and the members tributinn. of the committees can receive

First tier licensees in Eng-. allowances. The Director will land and Wales will be rebe enabled to provide the quired to submit plans to committees with accommoda- show that they have made tion and services. The con- appropriate plans to meet the

Employment Bill aims to sweep away discrimination between the sexes

Women get equal rights at work

By Tim Jones, Employment Affairs Correspondent

The Government is seeking to sweep women and men. away some of the differences between The Bill also provides for the the employment of men and women abolitinn of the Training Comin Britain in an anti-discrimination mission, effectively ending trade and deregulation Employment Bill union involvement with Government which was published yesterday. training schemes. This proposal was prompted by the decision of the TUC The measures, which will, for to vote against co-operation with the

example, allow winner in work as miners, is a recognition that with a falling birth rate their role in the next One major change will be to remove decade will be increasingly important the numerous restrictions on the in fill the gap in the employment hours of work of young people between the ages of 16 and 18 market created by fewer school including the prohebition of night wurk. School children in part time Aimed at promuting equality uf work will remain fully protected by

opportunity in employment and vocaexisting employment legislation. tinnal training, the Bill is also designed to meet EC obligations by Mr Nurman Fowler, Secretary of amending or repealing most legisla-State for Employment said yesterday: tion that still discriminates in employ-"In the 1990s, women will be playing ment and training matters between

the labour market it is vital to provide genuine equality of opportunity. Sex discrimination is not only unfair but harms the economy. Jobs should go to the people best able to do them, irrespective of sex". Six of the clauses in the Bill deal

specifically with sex discrimination and amend provisions of the Sex Discrimination Act 1975 which have allowed discriminatory requirements in earlier legislation to prevail. They were, Mr Fowler said, designed to sweep away some archaic restrictions on women's employment.

For instance, in the mining industry

it is quite unreasonable that women

should be prevented from pursuing a

career in management or engineering

because of restrictions introduced in

the 19th century to prevent wimen

hauling coal trucks."

He added: "I would stress that we are keeping restrictions where necessary for health and safety reasons. Protection will be retained so that women are not exposed to radiation or lead which might affect the health of an unborn child. We are also keeping restrictions on young people working with dangerous machinery."

But the Bill will allow continued sex discrimination by continuing restrictions on pregnant women working on women returning to work in factories within 4 weeks of childbirth.

Mr Fowler added that the present regime governing young people's employment "is immensely complicated and restricts both young people and employers unnecessarily.

MAIN POINTS OF THE BILL

• Women get the right to redundancy payments up to the same age as men (65). Academic appointments in university colleges restricted to women where this is

required at present. • A university professorship to be restricted to a man if there is a statutory requirement that the holder of the post should be a canon, Head teachers in schools and colleges to be restricted to members of a religious order where such a restriction is contained in the

trust deed or other relevant instrument. •Examptions for women to protect them from working in situations which put them at risk, e.g. work affecting emborn children. •Repeals the existing restrictions on women working in mines and quarries and cleaning machinery in factories by extending to men the

prohibition, at a mine or quarry, of lifting loads "so beavy as to be likely to cause injury". •Exempts employers with fewer than 20 employees from the requirement of the Employment Protection Act 1978 to provide employees with particulars of disciplinary procedures which apply to them.

allow officials of a trade union time off with pay to duties concerned with matters in respect of which the employer recognises the trade union. Oincreases from six months to two years the qualifying period of continuous employment after which employees are entitled to be given, on request, a written statement of the reasons for their dismissal.

Climits the requirement of an employer to

•Removes the differences whereby men may at present receive statutory redundancy payments np to age 65 and women up to only age 60. Where there is a "normal retiring age" for the joh in question which is below 65 and is nondiscriminatory, the entitlement of both sexes is to be restricted to that age. In all other cases, women's entitlement is to be extended to age 65, in line with that of men.

●Provides for regulations to be made to give an industrial tribunal chairman discretion, at the pre-hearing stage, on application from one of the parties, or of his own motion, to require a deposit of up to £150 from the other party 25 2 condition of proceeding futher, if it is considered that his or her case has no souable prospect of success.

walk 5 miles daily, Law Lords decide

By Douglas Broom, Education Reporter

Any healthy child of eight to go alone, such as where the should be quite capable of route crossed a busy road. walking a daily five-mile re-turn trip from home to school, the Law Lords ruled yester-

decision they overturned a parents brought the case. The Court of Appeal ruling that Devon County Council should provide a free bus pass for Christopher George, who, at the age of eight, faced a 2.8-mile walk to school along

muddy Devon country lanes. Upholding the right of education authorities to refuse free transport to pupils living within three miles of school, the Law Lords said that it was up to parents to ensure that their children could get to school safely.

They endorsed the findings of the High Court judge who first heard the case in 1986 that a normal healthy boy of Christopher's age should be capable of walking without getting "too tired".

The decision was welcomed by the Association of County Councils which said that if the original Court of Appeal ruling had been upheld it could have cost ratepayers in England and Wales £90 million a

"Authorities would have been overwhelmed by claims for free transport."

In yesterday's ruling, Lord Keith of Kinkel said: "There are various things which a sets out in reasonable time.

"In the case of an unwilling available to a child on its own. child it may be necessary for the parent to take the child to Lord Goff and Lord Lowry school in order to bring about agreed in allowing the appeal. his attendance.

do those things which are tremendous repercussions for reasonably practicable to be authorities across the country parent would do."

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Christopher, now aged 10, was living in the village of Thornbury and attending Bradford Church of England In a unanimous test-case School, Holsworthy, when his family has since moved but Devon County Council took the matter to the Law Lords because of its importance as a

They decided it was "reasonably practicable" for one of the boy's parents to walk to school with him each day. At the time free transport was refused Christopher's stepfather was unemployed and the family was living on social security.

In making its final decision in March 1987 the schools' transport panel said it was satisfied the route, which was within the statutory three-mile limit for children over eight, was one which an unaccompanied child could walk with reasonable safety.

Lord Keith said there was no suggestion that Christopher was not a normal healthy boy for his age. It had not been shown that the education authority was mistaken in law, nor was its decision unreasonable.

Parliament had contemplated that in appropriate cir-cumstances a child would be accompanied to school and local authorities were entitled parent may have to do to bring to take into account in refusabout the child's attendance at ing free transport whether it school, such as seeing that he was practical for a parent to gets up in the morning and take a child to school over a route which would not be

Lord Brandon, Lord Oliver,

s attendance. Devon County Council"In general, the parent must said: "It would have had done and which an ordinary if we lost this appeal. Authorities all over the country would That might include have been faced with hun-

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Poll tax boycott call to student conference

By Sam Kiley, Higher Education Reporter

Students will be called upon to law could be resisted from "defeat the poll tax" at the biannual National Union of Students conference which be-

The conference will also consider how best it might head off the Government's proposals to introduce student loans while freezing the

maintenance grant. The main "poll tax" mo-tion, tabled by the School of Oriental and African Studies, London University, calls upon the union executive to organize the first co-ordinated campaign against the community charge in Glasgow next

Normally decisions taken at the conference are binding on

Sources said, however, that a co-ordinated campaign encouraging people to break the

boycott the community charge inside, and "prove very in a nationwide campaign of embarrassing as they try and civil disobedience designed to to take on the Government on loans and vouchers".

There has been a surge in student political activity after the publication of the White Paper on top-up loans for

Analysts agree that motions attacking the Government on the poll tax, its education policy and the possible in-troduction of tuition fee vouchers, and on student loans are likely to commit the union to organising a series of demonstrations and possibly civil disobedience campaigns

of a sort not seen since 1968. A student union source said yesterday: "Students are undergoing a process of pol-itical awakening after a period

of some apathy". The executive still favours the selective lobbying of members of Parliament.

Man has used fire for 1.5m years

By Pearce Wright, Science Editor

fire by prehistoric man almost 1.5 million years ago, for cooking meat, is reported to-day from one of the world's most important archaeological

The delicacies of the day appear to have included roast telope, warthog, zebra and

The details described in the latest issue of the scientific periodical, Nature, come from an analysis of fossils from the Swartkrans caves in southern

Recent excavations of the caves by scientists from the Transvaul Museum in Pre-toria, and the University of Cape Town, uncovered pieces of bone that seemed to have been altered by fire.

They were obtained from the part of the site where evidence had previously been established of the presence of early man up to a million and half years ago.

Although some distinctive characteristics of burnt bone and tooth surfaces have been described by other researchers, the identification of heavily encrusted objects as having been burnt on a campfire is difficult.

So the scientists experimented with fresh bones, examining the histological, or cell, structure, and chemical nges that occurred when

Evidence for the earliest use of temperatures and cooled

When analysed by forensic science tests under the microscope, the bones that remained intact were comparable with the changes detectable on the fossil remains. The changes happened at moderate temperatures that would be exected from a caveman's wood

More than 270 fossil pieces were scrutinized, and it was inferred from the structural and colour changes that some were lightly cooked at below 300 degrees and others between 300 and 400 degrees, and others up to 500 degrees.

Only indirect evidence had been obtained previously suggesting that fire might have been used by primitive man a million years ago in the form of unusual magnetic measurements obtained from

The heat from fire can alter the magnetic characteristics of

With the new fossils there is also evidence of cut-marks on the bones suggesting that betchery was practised as

The scientists suggest that the use of the fire primarily as protection against predators and for warmth remained a possibility. Nevertheless, the findings extend the date by which man clearly used fire by about another 500,000 years.

Pupil, 8, can Boat boy saw his brother and friend die

save his brother and a friend after their speedboat sank during a joyride, an inquest was told yesterday.

was told yesternay.

Edmund Davies, aged 14, died in Kevin Butler's arms after Bernard Butler, aged 19, drifted away to his death in freezing seas off the Cornish coast, Dr David Bruce, the coroner, was told.

Kevin, aged 14, of Watergate, near Looe in Cornwall. survived for five hours before being rescued by a lifeboat

In a statement read by Dr Bruce at Liskeard, Cornwall, Kevin said their ordeal began on the evening of April 5, when his father's 15ft, 90hp speedboat, White Fire, sank after the engine failed to restart.

The trio hing on to the side of the submerged boat but eventually decided to try to swim to safety. Kevin said: "Bernard was very tired. He was the weakest because he never had a lifejacket. We took it in turns

to held him up. "I began drifting away but swam back to find them both. Bernard drifted away from as but shouted for help. Edmund and I held on to each other but

then Edmund was on his back,

gurgling with the water.

"I kept hitting him on the back because he was swallowing water. But it was no use. "I held on to him and began swimming towards the shore, After a while I realized he might be dead as he was floating face downwards. I

Kevin Butler (left) before yesterday's inquest on Bernard Butler (top) and Edmund Davies. couldn't. My hands were frotheir craft. zen and he drifted away."

Kevin was rescued by the delay in the launch of the Fowey lifeboat just before Fowey lifeboat led to his son's Much of the evidence at the inquest, expected to last two Mr Francis Billing, a senior

days, will focus on the amount coastguard, said the team of time it took Plymouth and learnt that a speedboat was tried to hold on to him but I Fowey rescue crews to launch overdue at 9.20pm, 20 minutes

after Mrs Iris Butler, the Mr Bob Butler, father of the mother of the two brothers, brothers, has claimed that the had alerted police.

A coastguard shore search was launched and after a telephone conversation with the secretary of the Plymouth was jointly decided that the lifeboat was not required, today.

said: "It was not a distress situation. It was what we would call an 'uncertainty' He said speedboats were

"very frequently" reported overdue but in most cases they arrived safely. He could not justify calling out the lifeboat at the time of the conversation.

Mr George Rounce, the duty district coastguard officer, took over the operation soon after 10.30pm. The Fowey lifeboat was launched at 11.10pm, and the Plymouth lifeboat was launched 21 minutes later.

Mr Philip Reid, aged 59, a retired major in the Royal Marines, now secretary of Plymouth lifeboat group, said that when he was called by the coastguard he felt the speedboat would be more likely to be in the Fowey lifeboat area because, from experience, he thought the boat would have drifted to the west.

He suggested the coastguard contact the secretary of the Fowey lifeboat, which could be on scene 30 minutes earlier. He admitted, however We considered a number of scenarios and it could have been anywhere within 35 miles of Looe in any direction."

Kevin was found three or four miles to the west of Looe Island. WPC Deborah Tall said the

lifejacket worn by Edmund The inquest continues

more pay By David Walker Public Administration Correspondent A Treasury official has given

> abandoning the Civil Service because their living standards are well below contemporaries in other jobs. He says housing costs in London are so high that young Civil Servants do not enjoy the same standard of life as

his superiors a public warning

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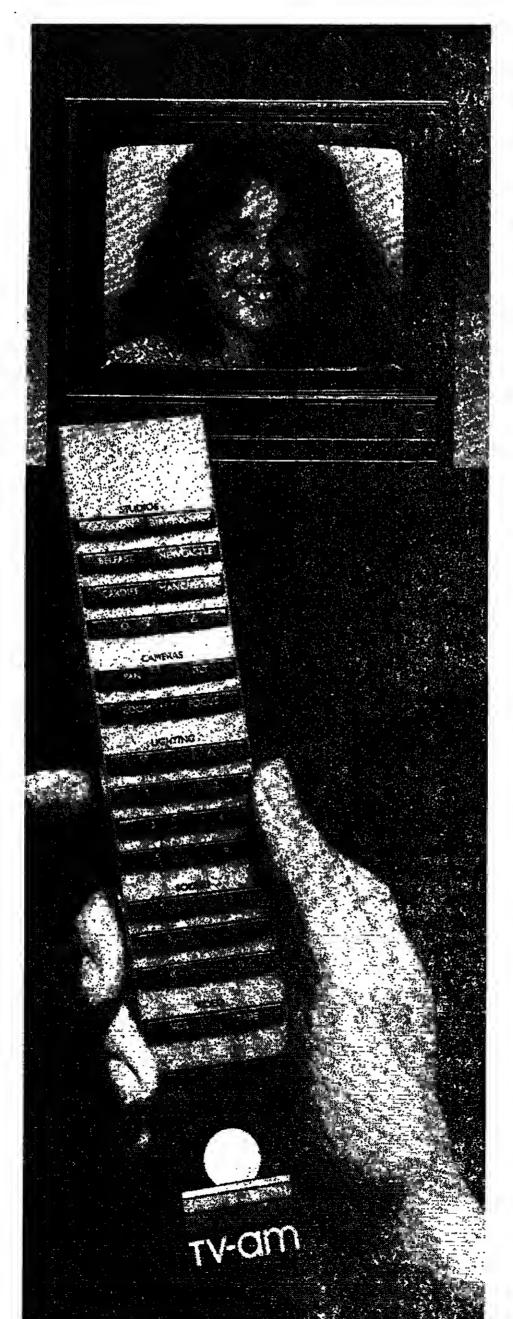
staff 'are

leaving for

their superiors did when they were in lower grades. Mr Nicholas Holgate, regarded as an np-and-coming official, says in an article in the journal of the First Division Association - the senior administrators' union that his superiors should pass

the facts on to ministers. Until 1983, he says, an entrant to the Civil Service from a university background might have been able to afford a flat in London. Now they require savings equivalent to two-and-half years of their disposable income, and even then there is a substantial can between the price of available housing and the maximum mortgage their salary

"In the end many resign because they realize their living standards are well below those of their contempor-



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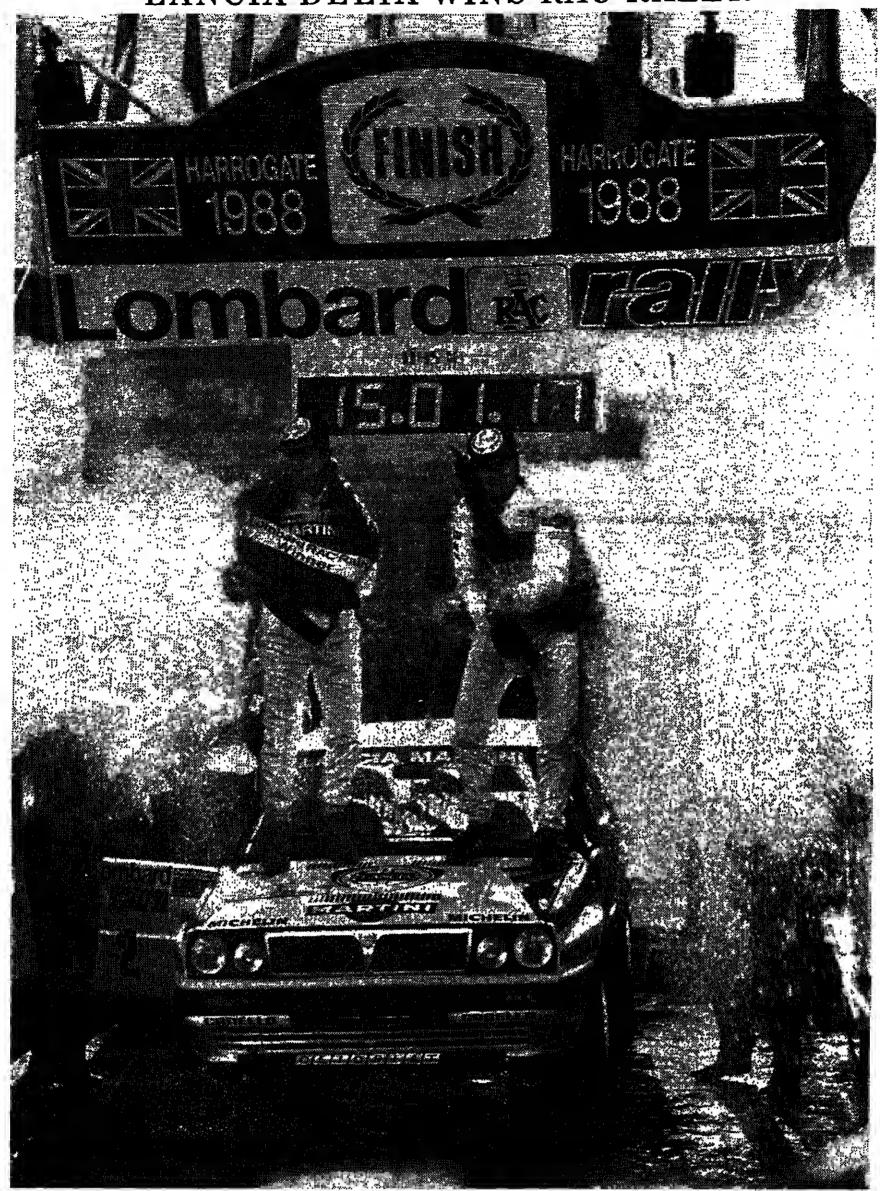
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Brewers praised for effort to reduce drunken driving

By Robin Oakley, Political Editor

With the pre-Christmas blitz of drivers and riders in the 20- and driving as socially un- real aim in this game was to on drink-driving due to be 24 age group killed in ac-launched on Monday, min-cidents in 1978 were over the church, chapel, mosque, temisters from the Home Office legal blood-alcohol limit. The and the Department of Trans- figure has dropped to 29 per port are discussing suggestions cent. from the police that they should be given unfettered discretion to breath test any-

ruled out the possibility of dropped from 40 to 34 per introducing random breath testing hut Mr Peter Bottomley, the transport minister in 27 per cent for drivers and charge of the anti-drink driv- from 29 to 22 per cent for ing iniliatives, sees no need for motor-cyclists. it at present.

He argues that the police have all the powers they need. nificant success in cutting per cent fewer failed the test. what Mr Bottomley calls "the link between throttle and bottle" without changes either in

funding or the law. Drink-driving figures are drive. "Now 95 per cent look falling faster in Britain than on themselves and their fampractically anywhere else in ilies as potential victims of the the world and Mr Bottomley drinking and driving of says brewers deserve the largest share of the credit.

Department of Transport change has come. We are studies show that 52 per cent beginning to make drinking

In the four years after random breath testing was introduced in New South ne they wish.

Wales, Australia, alcohol-re-lated fatalities on roads cent. In the comparable period in Britain they fell from 36 to

In Britain 67 per cent more drivers and riders involved in "injury accidents" were tested Ministers are claiming sig- in 1987 than in 1986, but 8

Mr Bottomley said that when breath tests were introduced 21 years ago it was considered normal to drink and

He added: "That social

acceptable as smoking in ple or synagogue".

The minister, whose office resembles more a school study with drink-driving posters on the walls and a fridge full of non-alcoholic beers and soft drinks, said the turnaround in lic house in Britain. attitudes was an example of "Thatcherism in action".

There had been no new legislation and no change in sentencing policy. The answer had proved to be shared responsibility, he said.

The traditional response nf government to a problem, he said, was to ask what law could be changed. "Would it have been better

to lower the legal limit? Or

there is random testing. That

has not been ruled out. "The police would like to have unfettered discretion and the Home office and Transport Department are considering that. The only people the police can't test at the mnment are those they know have not been drinking.

Mr Bottomley said: "The

quadruple the sales of alcoholfree beers and lagers".

The success of the campaign can be measured by the fact that alcohol-free or low-alcohol beers and lagers, the socalled Nablabs, are now available in almost every pub-

In 1986 Britain's brewers produced 150,000 barrels of Nablabs. This year they are produc-

ing 600,000 barrels. The value of the trade has risen from £20 million to £90 millinn and this year brewers are spending £15 million on advertising non-alcoholic or low-alcohol drinks.

What irritates the Ministry of Transport is that while publicans and brewers have made it fashionable to meet the needs of their customers, restaurants do not.

It is estimated that 30 per cent of restaurant customers drive after their meal, but four nut of five restaurants do nut stock alcohol-free lager or

Train crash inquiry launched

British Rail staff moving a carriage from one of two InterCity trains which crashed in heavy rain west of Central Station, Wednesday night. Four people were recovering in hos-pital yesterday after the trains caught each other a glancing blow as they passed on adjacent tracks. Neither train was thought to be travelling shove 15mph. Eleven people

shoulder and spinal injuries in a fall while being led from the scene on Wednesday night. Mr Chris Dickinson, British Rail area manager, said there were between 300 and 400 passengers. Most were forced to walk to safety along

the track to the station. A British Rail inquiry into the crash will be followed by a full Department of Transport investigation.

Damages to rock stars

A nightclub in Windsor, Berk- an estimated £30,000 bill for shire, which cancelled a week of shows by Sixties' rock stars because they did not attract the crowds, was ordered yesterday in the High Court to pay them £27,181 dama-

The owners of Blazers nightclub were also left with

costs after Dave Dee, Dozy. Beaky, Mick and Titch and four other groups sued over the cancelled contract. Mr Justice Rose ruled

Adengrove Productions had no excuse for cancelling the booked for March

Christmas clampdown on Scots roads constabulary have called nn the public to

Motorists who venture on to the roads of Scotland after drinking will do so at their peril, according to the Association of Chief Police Officers (Scotland) whose Chief Police Officers (Scotland) whose traffic standing committee yesterday ficially begins today, will last until launched an anti-drink driving cam-

paign. Mr Andrew Sloan, chief constable of Strathclyde police and chairman of the committee, said that more drivers than ever before could expect to be tested over the Christmas and new year period.

report any driver who they believe may have been drinking to excess and Fife constabulary has introduced a policy of testing every driver involved in a moving traffic offence.

The association has stopped short of calling for random tests.

£858,000 Picasso triples its estimate

SALEROOM by Sarah Jane Checkland Art Market

Correspondent

Picasso maintained his position in the limelight at Christie's on Wednesday night wben his "Nature Morte aux Cartes-a-Jeu et Pecbes" fetched £858,000, nearly triple its estimate. It was a record for a twentieth-century drawing.

Produced at Avignon in 1914, when the artist was working on a series of lyrical still-lifes, it comprises Cubist bought by a private buyer.

connoisseur who died in 1984.

A rugged plaster of a pinheaded man by Alberto artist who died in 1986. Giacometti doubled its es- There was disappoint London dealer, while a pencil study by Fernand Leger for his painting "La Mere et L'Enfant" more than doubled its estimate at £143,000.

The sale totalled £3 million, triple what had been expected. Proceeds will finance the publication of a catalogue raisonne of the rest of the Cooper collection, as well as an operation to trace artworks stolen from Cooper's bome. the Chateau de Castille in the South of France, in 1974.

Both Sothehy's and Christie's produced records for contemporary artists in berg, Victoria.

London yesterday. "A Neat Lawn", a classic Californian painting by David Hockney, fetched £352,000 at Sotheby's, overtaking his previous record 12 months ago by £90,000.

Jean Atlan, a French painter who turned to abstraction in 1947, also arrived in the big league when his "Le Tao" fetched £396,000 (£300,000 more than estimate), selling to a French private buyer. Al-though be had little success in Europe during his lifetime, there is a powerful group of six wealthy buyers determined to buy his work today.

Top price at Christie's shapes on plain paper. It was contemporary sale was £418,000 (upper estimate £220,000) for the American The Picasso featured in a £220,000) for the American highly successful sale of 125 artist Alexander Calder's drawings, sculptures, prints "Blue Boomerang", a classic and posters from the collec- mobile. £132,000, a record tion of Douglas Cooper: a and £100,000 above estimate, was achieved for a bronze b Joseph Benys, the German

There was disappointment timate at £660,000, selling to a at the first Impressionist and modern Australian paintings sale at Christie's, South Ken-sington, when the star lot — a picture by John Peter Russell of silhouetted trees overlooking a lakeside - failed to sell at £200,000 (estimate £250,000 to £300,000).

Staff hlamed French officials who prevented export until last night, resulting in potential huyers not being able to view the lot.

The highest price was £132,000 for Charles Edward Conder's "On the River Yarra", painted near Heidel-

Weekend food prices

Cost shock in store for lovers of roast beef

in for a shock when they buy a lb. Pork marries well with their joints this weekend. Topside, silverside and boncless sirloin are up 8p-13p a lb. In the South-east the average price of boneless sirloin is £3.79 a lb with a range of £2.59-£5 a lb.

average £1.85 a lb is the most pork chops (fresh or frozen) economical choice as it is the £1.19 a lb, forerib of beef £1.95 same price as two weeks ago. Rump steak, which was down 10p a lb last week to £3.66 a lb is back to £3.76 this week. Boneless brisket and braising steak are down 2p a lb in the a lb; Tesco whole leg of New South-east and unchanged elsewhere. Best mince is up 1p-2p a ib.

Home-produced lamb prices are on an upward spiral. The average price of whole leg is £1.94 a lb in the South-east and £1.82 in the rest of England and Wales. Loin chops and whole shoulder are also up 2p a lb, but best end and chump chops should be cheaper than last week.

boned and stuffed with onions, mushrooms and herbs, will make a tasty meal for about £1 a lb. Many cuts of reau. Cabbages at 14p-35p and New Zealand lamb are a little brussel tops continue to be cheaper, including leg, best end and loin chops.

Although some cuts of pork are more expensive it is still good value. There is something to suit all pockets from stuffed belly at 84p a lh to boncless loin chops or piece at about £2.08 a lb. Whole legs costs about £1.23 a lb and

apple, pineapple, orange, clementine, tangerines or satsumas which are all plentiful at this time of year.

Best meat and poultry offers in shops and supermarkets this week include: Presto Forerib on the bone at an forerib of beef £1.79 a lb; Asda a lb. pack of four chicken drumsticks 99p a pack; Safeway forerib of beef £1.79 a lb, boneless pork chops £1.88 a lb and self basting turkey 57p Zealand lamh £1.29 a lb and boneless rolled stuffed belly of pork 84p a lb; and Sainsbury's fresh chicken up to 31/1b in weight 62p a lb.

Potatoes at 12p-25p a lb are now the largest single source of Vitamin C in the British diet and, contrary to popular belief, they are oot fattening, containing just 76 calories per

It is the cream cheese and Whole shoulder of lamb, butter we add which does the damage to the waistline, according the Fresh Food and Vegetables Information Busuperb. Calabrese broccoli from Spain, Italy and Jersey costs from 55p-95p a lb.

Best salad buys are Spanish and Canary Island tomatoes at 30p-55p a lb, spring onions 25p-45p a hunch and Chinese leaves 35p-65p a head. Round iceberg and red varieties of lettuce are also available.

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Washington (Reuter) — American and Italian police began arresting more than 200 people in Italy and the United States yesterday in a joint operation against Mafia drug traffickers. The US Federal Bureau of Investigation said that

75 people had been charged here and 133 in Italy.

The FBI said that the arrests were the culmination of a three-year under-cover operation which involved courtauthorized telephone tapping, surveillance and drug purchases to collect the evidence. The arrests were made in eight cities in the US and nine in Italy, and the list of names involved is described as a "who's who of mobsters on both sides nf the Atlantic". Those held are accused of involvement in a ring which used women to smuggle heroin, sometimes hidden in their underwear, between Sicily and

Two Indians expelled Islamabad (Renter) - Pakistan yesterday ordered two Indian diplomats to leave the country within 24 hours, state

television reported. The move was a tit-for-tat after India expelled Pakistan's top desence attaché in Delhi, Brigadier Zahi-ul-Islam Abbasi, and an assistant, accusing them of spying. The TV station named the two Indians as B. D. Sharma, a consul in Karachi, and Rumesh Kumar, a junior diplomat at the em-

Rebuff for Hawke

Belgrade - Yugoslavia has rejected an Australian ultimatum for the extradition of a security goard who fired shots during a demonstration in front of the Yugoslav consulate in Sydney, injuring a boy. It said that there would be reciprocal measures if Australia carried out its threat to close the consulate (Desaa Trevisan writes).

The Yugoslav Government insisted that by failing to provide adequate police protection when the consulate was besieged by over I,000 protesters the Australian authorities left guards no alternative but to fire in self-defence.

'Ivan' lawyer attack

Jerusalem — Mr Yoram Sheftel, right, the Israeli lawyer defending the convicted Nazi war criminal, John Demjanjuk, had a bottle of acid thrown in his face yesterday by a man aged 70 who lost all bis family at the Treblinka concentration camp (Ian Murray writes).
It was there that Dem-

janjuk earned notoriety as the sadistic Ukrainian guard kunwn to inmates as Ivan the Terrible".

Mr Sbeftel was taken to hospital and it will not be known for several days whether or not he bas lost

the sight of his left eye. His assailant, identified by police as Mr Yisrael Yehezkeli, was taken into custody.

The attack took place at the funeral of Mr Dov Eitan, the

former district court judge who earlier this year agreed to work with Mr Sheftel on Demjanjuk's appeal against the death sentence passed on him by the court here last April. Mr Eitan fell to his death from the 15th floor of an office building in the centre of Jerusalem on Tuesday. Police suspect that he jumped from the building.

Reagan honours aide

Washington - President Reagan yesterday announced that he was promoting Lieutenant-General Colin Powell, his National Security Adviser, to be a full four-star general and commander-in-chief of the US Army Forces Command at Fort McPherson, Georgia (Michael Binyon writes).

General Powell, aged 51, who will leave the White House an January 20, will have more than a million soldiers under his command at the country's largest base. The general, who was warmly praised by President Reagan yesterday, will be the only black four-star general on active service.

Ryan controversy casts shadow at Rhodes summit

Irish stoke up terrorism row

From Richard Owen, Rhodes

day EEC summit here under Greek chairmanship, European officials began a counterattack on suggestions that Belgium and Ireland — and by implication other EEC countries - have been shown to be "soft on terrorism" in the row over extradition.

"We are getting fed up with this," one Irish nfficial said as Mrs. Thatcher prepared to meet Mr Charles Haughey, the Irish Prime Minister, in bilateral talks this morning be-

Mrs Thatcher will also hold separate talks with Chancellor Helmut Kohl of West Ger-many and Mr Rund Lubbers, the Dutch Prime Minister.

"There is a limit to reasonable restraint in the face of unreasonable abuse," the Irish nfficial added.

EEC officials expressed dismay over Britain's abstention from the United Nations vote. deploring Washington's de-cision to refuse a visa to Mr. Yassir Arafat; the PLO

Mr Karolos Papoulias, the Greek Foreign Minister stirred further controversy by proposing in an interview with the Spanish daily El Pais that Mr Arafat should be invited to the Rhodes summit and given the platform denied him in

It was not clear whether this had the backing of Mr Andreas Papandreou, the Prime Minister and summit host, whose Government. with unfortunate timing, seems to be falling apart at the seams as the summit leaders

The leaders are meeting in the fartified Gothic castle af the Knights of St John,

Officially the summit, mar-

As Mrs Thatcher flew to Europe's place in the world, Rhodes last might for the two- progress at the halfway mark towards completion of the Single Market in 1992, and the need to avoid a protectionist Fortress Europe.

But because of the extradition row between Britain, Belgium and Ireland over Patrick Ryan, terrorism is the subject of corridor debate, and could well end up on the official agenda.

Some delegations said as they arrived that the Ryan case should not be allowed to overshadow the proceedings. "Whn is this Ryan?", one German official demanded testily. "Twelve heads of government have not gathered to discuss one former Irish

The Ryan affair has received little prominence here, particularly because Mr Papandreou's troubles have gripped public attention almost exclusively. For many Greeks, the focus of interest is the fact that Mr Papandreou's statuesque mistress, Miss Dimitra Liani, a former Olympic Airways stewardess, is to be his official companion.

None the less, Greece is as concerned as other states to prove that it is committed to the European fight against terrorism, despite allegations that Greece offers an "easy option" for terrorist activities.

Other countries also argue that their record displays a consistent determination to fight terrorism through EEC and international co-operation. Belgium pursued and caught its nwn terrorist group. the CCC (Fighting Communist Cells), and the ringleaders were recently given stiff jail sentences.

Dr Wilfried Martens, the Belgian Prime Minister, nevertheless faces Mrs between EEC countries reking the end of the Greek Thatcher's displeasure over quire "considerable improve-



Mr Andreas Papandreon, the Greek Prime Minister, leaving yesterday with Miss Dimitra Liani for Rhodes, where he is to host the EEC summit and she will be his official companion.

get it over with".

EEC officials acknowledge that extradition procedures

preferred to "have a session in many continental officials the beadmistress's study and support the Belgian and Irish contention that the British extradition requests were nnt properly prepared and lacked the necessary specific detail.

In an interview in the presidency, is to consider Ryan Unlike Mr Haughey, be ment" if cross-border co- Belgian daily Le Soir yes-

is not holding separate talks operation against terrorists with her, though one diplomat and other criminals in 1992 is said he would probably have to work. But in the Ryan case, said be respected Mrs Thatcher, but he accused ber nf dnuble standards in the Ryan case. She had attacked the lack nf co-operation in the EEC nver terrorism but was putting on the brakes in other areas of 1992 integration.

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Arab states at the time Nations have phrased their proposal to shift the General Assembly to Geneva in order to hear Mr Yassir Arafat, the Palestine Liberation Orgaanization leader, in langua that makes it likely that Britain will support the move. The British recorded the sole abstention on Tuesday night when the assembly voted 151-2 tn urge the United States to reverse its decision to withhold a visa from Mr Arafat and so bar him from

travelling to New York to address the annual UN debate nn Palestine. Britain objected m a paragraph which plored" the US actinn. But in its proposed followup resolution the Arab group at the UN is expected to request the assembly to reconvene in Geneva on December 13-15 in purely technical language. An informal draft bas been circulated. The two-paragraph resolutinn will simply refer in the

Arabs in

New York

vote to deplore the US action, and ask the assembly to relocate the debate on Palestine, which was to have taken place in New York yesterday, but was postponed after Washington refused Mr Arafat a visa nn the ground nf his association with Palestinian terrorism.

The US has said it does not oppose the General Assembly moving nutside New York. and will abstain in the vote.

The resolution that was passed required the UN Secretary-General to report any new developments to the General Assembly by last night,

Arab delegations, however, held nut little hope yesterday that the American decision would be reversed.

Mr George Shultz, the US Secretary of State, reiterated in a satellite press conference on Wednesday that he would not change his mind. He said: "If the thing I am remembered for most is a strong and great resolve to resist and combat terrorism, I won't feel that is a blot on my record. I'll feel that is a proud achievement."

If the US does not change its decision, the Arab states will ask the assembly to approve their proposal to hold the Palestine debate in Geneva.

Mr Abdullah Salah of Jordan, the chairman of the Arab group, hapes to have the General Assembly vote on the oposal loday, but the i ficials say that procedural requirements are likely in delay the historic decision at

least until Mnnday. Because the move has financial implications, the draft resolutinn has to be reviewed by an internal budgetary board which will then report to a full committee of the assembly. That committee will then adopt the text to be approved by the body.

Moscow opens door for 120 refuseniks

By Nicholas Beeston

The Soviet authorities have told 120 Soviet refuseniks, who have been denied exit visus because of their security classification, that they are no longer classified and should reapply for emigration.

"The assumption is that they will be allowed to go once they weapply?" said Mg once

they reapply," said Mr Law-rence Littlejohn, the executive director of the National Com-

The 120 who have been told to make fresh visa requests

He was informed this week represent about half of the that he would be allowed to go.

sification. Mr Littlejohn added that the news was greeted as a breakthrough yesterday by delegates attend-ing the international conference of the World Council for Soviet Jewry in Israel.

Mr Leonid Shabashov, a former employee at the In-stitute of Physical Chemistry, who is now a secondary school mathematics teacher in Moscow, has been waiting since 1974 for permission to leave

He was informed this week refuseniks with security clas- Observers said that the move

prompted by President Gorbachov's eagerness to improve his country's human rights image before his visit to Washington this month.

It coincided with an announcement by the Intergovernmental Committee on Migration in Geneva yesterday which showed that Jews are leaving the Soviet Union at the highest rate since Psychiatric hospital.

In November 2,284 left, slightly fewer than in October, but the pace remains stronger than for most of this decade. More were allowed to leave last month than in 1983-84 or 1985-86. So far this year 16,572 Jews have been given exit visas, the most since 1980 when 21,470 left. The highest annual total was 51,330 in

Among the more promin

Mr Yuli Kosharovski, the longest emigration applicant, who first put in a request to leave in March, 1971; Mr Roald Zelichenok, a former prisoner; Mr Yevgeny Lein and his wife, Irina; the convener of the unofficial scientific seminar, Mr Yuri Cherniak; and Mr Vladimir Kislik,

WASHINGTON: cow has stopped jamming all 1987. broadcasts to the Soviet Union by the US-financed radio station Radio Liberty and by two other foreign stations (Michael Binyon writes).

who had been detained in a

The move, a week before Mr Gorbachov's US visit, brought swift praise here, and is seen

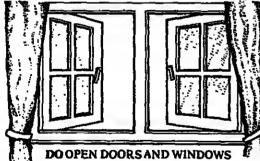
the Munich-based station, Israel Radio and Deutsche Welle, the West German overseas transmissions, the Soviet Union has now ended interference with all foreign broadcasts for the first time since the early 1950s. Jamming of the BBC, re-

imposed in 1980 as the Polish crisis escalated, was lifted in January, 1987, and the Voice America was allowed significant concession, Mos- through unimpeded in May, The White House said that

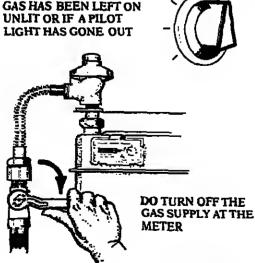
it welcomed the Soviet action as a positive development which it hoped was permanent. The statement said that the free flow of information was the cornerstone of the US human rights policy, and as a necessary step toward the President Reagan had repeat-convening of a human rights edly raised the issue at summit conference in Moscow in 1991. meetings with Mr Gorbachov.

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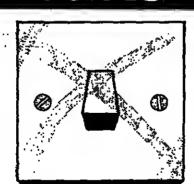


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Europe rebuts US accusations over Nato defence costs

From Michael Dynes, Brussels

terday unveiled their long-ledge an urgent need for Belgian and Dutch forces, and awaited response to US European member states to would become part of Nato's congressional criticisms that enhance resources and im- operational reserve. the European allies are not prove efficiency in order to shouldering their fair share of obtain increased mileage from

In an 80-page document analysing the defence spend- not mention by name those back to defence ministers in ing record of Nato's European members, drawn up in an failed to reach the recom-attempt to dampen the mended defence spending of 3 smouldering row between the per cent of gross domestic US and Europe over how the product, the report's figures descrice burden of the alliance should be oivided, its European members strenuously de-

fended their past record. faile The report, Enhancing Alliance Collective Security, argues that, while defence spending has not been as high as the US would like, some European member states have conscription and hosting military exercises, not easily quantifiable in hard cash.

This is particularly acute for West Germany, which already hosts an average of 5,000 Nato exercises annually, in the face of public criticism, particu-iarly over low-level flights. But the report, in an at-

the existing funds.

Nato members which have one year.

failed to reach the recom- Ministers hope that the clearly show that Denmark, Italy, Spain, Luxembourg and Canada have consistently failed to reach the tar-

General Wolfgang Altenburg, the chairman of Nato's military committee, who presided over the release of the report, announced that denevertheless had to shoulder fence ministers had agreed to additional burdens, such as set up two working par-

These would look into the early 1990s. feasibility of establishing a multinational airborne di-vision, and examine the extra that, although East-West Gerburden being shouldered by

The proposed airborne ditempt to appease congres- Ministry, would be drawn rights.

Nato deience ministers yes- sional critics, does acknow- from West German, British.

It would act as a frontline "air cavalry" force against the Warsaw Pact. The working Although the report does party is expected to report

> creation of the division will help to defuse congressional criticism over the vexed issue of burden-sharing, which is expected to become one of the key transatlantic issues when the new US Administration takes office in the new

The Allies have already agreed to pay part of the cost of transferring 72 US F16 fighter-bombers from Spain to Italy, projected at more than £174 million, which is expected to take place by the

 BONN: Chancellor Kohl man relations had improved, they were burdened by the East German Government's vision, an idea favoured by inflexibility on reform efforts the West German Defence as well as violations of human



A mother grieving for her 10-year-old child who was among those killed by the hurricane at Khulna in southern Bangladesh.

Millions homeless in Bangladesh

been made homeless and probably thousands were killed by Tuesday's hurricane which left a trail of destruction, misery and death on the alluvial plains of southern Bangladesh, of-ficials said yesterday (Ahmed Fazl writes).

Rescue workers looking for survivars in the districts of Satkhira, Khuina and Patuakhali, which bore the brunt of the storm, said mangled bodies littered a landscape of devastation on the Bay of Bengal coast.

Red Crescent volunteers recovered the

Dhaka - More than seven million people have bodies of more than 950 victims, mostly crushed under uprooted trees and power lines and flattened houses.

Senior relief ministry officials said 20,000 people were still missing yesterday from coastal villages fringing the Sundarban man-grove forests and outlying islands. Hopes for their return were fading, they said.

"We have yet to make contact with Dublar Char (island) where at least 8,000 fishermen have been trapped since Monday," Kazi Feroz Rashid, State Minister for Relief, said.

Temporary

Delbi (AP) - The Indian Supreme Court yesterday blocked the executions of two Sikhs condemned to death for the 1984 assassination of Mrs Indira Gandhi.

The decision, oo a reque by a son of one of the condemned meu, came 14 bours before Satwant Singh, aged 30, and Kehar Singh, aged 54, were to hang.

The stay will remain in effect until Tuesday to give the panel of five Supreme Court justices time to hear an appeal hy Kehar Singh's son, challenging President Venkataraman's refusal last week to grant clemency without reviewing the merits of the case, it was reported.

The decision came just hours after the justices rejected defence lawyers' petitions in the Supreme Court and the Delhi High Court seeking to block the hangings, which had been scheduled for 8 am today,

Relatives who briefly visited the prison before the decision yesterday described the two men as calm and resigned to their fate.

Security in the capital and the neighbouring state of Punjab had been stepped up for fear Sikh militants would carry out new violence if the men were executed.

Sino-Soviet détente

Chinese visit sets scene for summit

From Our Correspondent, Moscow

Mr Oian Oichen arrived here current visit. It is generally yesterday for the first visit to assumed that Mr Gorbachov the Soviet Union by a Chinese will travel to Peking in the first Foreign Minister in more than half of next year. 30 years.

today, is in Moscow to prepare Cambodia was still an outfor a Sino-Soviet summit that would seal the reconciliation between the two communist giants which split for ideological and geostrategic reasons in the 1960s.

Mr Qian, who speaks fluent Russian, said in a written returned from a tour of Indoarrival statement that he China, said that the pull-out of hoped to continue progress on the estimated 120,000 Victresolving the Cambodian conflict during this three rounds

Vietnam'. of oegotiations with Mr

Mr Qian speaking at Peking

airport yesterday. Eduard Shevardnadze, his

"What is gratifying to us is the gradual improvement in Sino-Soviet relations in recent years," he said. "I sincerely hope that my current visit will

achieve its desired result." Mr Shevardnadze noted the "new quality" of bilateral relations in a short conversation with reporters before Mr Qian's regular China Air Lines flight touched down.

The Soviet minister declined to give a date for his scheduled visit to Peking, and also refused to say when President Gorbachov was likely to travel to China. But the Deputy Foreign Minister, Mr Igor Rogachev, indicated

Mr Qian left Peking saying a The minister, who is to concrete timetable for a Viet-meet President Gorbachov namese withdrawal from standing problem.

Mr Rogachev, asked what more Moscow could do to put pressure on the Vietnamese to accelerate their withdrawal, said: "Nothing more." The deputy minister, who has just namese soldiers "depends on

But he added that, coocerning the Soviet and Chinese positions oo Cambodia, "every time, we get closer".

The Chinese want the Vietcamese to bave completed their withdrawal from Cambodia by the end of next June at the latest. The Kremlin, for its part, wants China to use its influence with the Khmer Rouge, the main military faction in the Cambodian resistance alliance.

Mr Shevardnadze also indicated that Afghanistan would be oo the agenda of the current talks,

• PEKING: Mr Qian said before leaving for Moscow that his task was "to promote the process of normalization between the two countries" (Catherine Sampson writes).

He said at Peking airport that the focus of his discussions would be the Cambodian issue, but he implied that whatever the progress on Cambodia, the wheels were already in motion for a

summit. He reiterated the Chinese proposal that Vietnamese troops, backed by Moscow, should withdraw from Cambodia by the end of next June. He acknowledged continuing differences on the issue, but said both China and the Soviet Union had made it clear that they were willing to that a summit date could be work to bring about an end to announced at the end of the the 10-year conflict.

Art thief repents

New York (AP) - An Impressionist painting worth more than \$i million (£546,000) that was stolen last weekend from the Heckscher Museum was recovered in New York City when a tearful thief telephoned police to confess his possession of Edouard Manet's "Bouquet of Peonies". But the thief was not remnrseful enough to give himself up, although he directed police to the painting hidden in a laundry room in a block of flats in the Borough of Queens. The 1880 Manet is a still life of flowers in a vase lent to the Heckscher by its anonymous owner.

US bases deal Hostage offer lates the withdrawal of 72 F 16

fighter-bombers but guar-antees continued use of bases. Back to prison

Santo Domingo (Reuter) - A former Domioican President, Senor Salvador Blanco, sentenced in absentia to 20 years for corruption, was jailed on returning from the US.

Short terms

Quito (Reuter) - President Borja of Ecuador has reduced the sentences of paratroops jailed for kidnapping his predecessor, Senor León Febres Cordero, last year.

An armed robber disguised as a doctor tried to rob a hospital payroll, but was overpowered by a nurse who knew judo.

Spanish riot

Madrid (Reuter) - Youths Hong Kong (AP) - A gas clashed with police as thou- explosion in a coalmine in sands of teenagers protested north-east China killed 45 against economic policies.

Madrid (AP) - Spain and the Lyons - A Freoch grand-US signed an eight-year de-fence agreement that stipu-Valente, offered herself as a hostage to a Palestinian group

for her daughter, Jacqueline, and three bahy girls seized from a yacht 13 months ago. Dalí better

Barcelona (AP) - Doctors said the Surrealist painter Salvador Dalí, aged 84, had slightly improved despite heart trouble aggravated by

blood clots in the left lung. Full treatment Rawson, Argentina (AFP) -

Mine blast

workers and injured 23.



Women protest in Jerusalem as politicians manoeuvre

Shamir finds a coalition deal elusive

From Ian Murray, Jerusalem

Mr Yitzhak Shamir, the Prime religious parties, with seven Likud leader, has promised the country a new government by Monday which "will serve

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month after all the election still far from clear that anyone can yet-claim victory.

party, Agudat Yisrael, to work together in coalition.

the Labour leader, hopes he can command at least 60 seats in the Knesset (Parliament) and so block Mr Shamir from power. Even that, however, remains far from sure.

What does seem certain is coalition partners.

the driving seat because President Herzog calculated that more of the 120 Knesset members would support a Likud-led government than

In consultations with the 15 different parties that won

Minister of Israel and the seats between them, refused to opt for either.

On paper Mr Shamir's by Monday which "will serve chances of success looked the people and state good. Likud had 40 seats and ought to have been able to rely These are brave words. A on the seven members elected for three extreme-right parties. votes have been counted, it is This left him needing support from 14 of 18 seats won by four religious parties to obtain

But his attempts to woo the religious parties have alarmed announced that it had reached Jews around the world and an agreement overnight with have led him to try to form a

The offer he made to Mr Peres was one that the Labour leader did not want to refuse. His deputy, Mr Yitzhak Rabin, was even more convinced that the party should join Likud to save the country from the more extreme demands of the right-wing and religious groups.

But a narrow majority of Labour's policy-making bureau refused on Wednesday evening - as one new young Knesset member put it - "to act as Likud's servants". If Labour could not be an equal partner in a new coalition, the bureau decided it should go clearly into opposition.

Mr Shamir, who believed he had succeeded in capturing Labour, was desperately disappointed, but quickly promised to form a new governseats, he was told that 58 ment and launched a fourmembers backed Likud com- hour meeting with Shas -



In return for its support.

That was the easy part. Mr Shamir bopes that he will not have too much trouble either in signing up the hawkish National Religious Party. even though its leaders would prefer to sit in a broad

the 21 seats he needs over and above Likud's 40 for an overall majority. He has profound problems, however, in collecting the other 10 seats.

Even if be succeeds, so deep are the differences between the various parties that it is difficult to see such a coalition lasting a full four-year term.

nated Jewish ritual (Reuter relatively few problems with his potential coalition partners, provided he does not promise to introduce religious legislation. If he does, he could lose some of his natural allies.

The President also anemergency and the Emergency Council, which have existed since General Zia's death in August, are to be abolished

mind of Miss Bhutto's Pakistan People's Party (PPP), as it had been feared that the council might continue as a form of supervision of her Government. The possibility still exists, however, of a national defence committee, including the Chiefs of Staff, to "advise" her on security matters.

House to decide.

Pakistan emergency ended

Triumphant Bhutto is named Prime Minister

He added that "uncondi-

tional attachment to Islam is

Observers have felt that the

PPP will have to be very

careful about reversing any

aspect of General Zia's

four provincial assemblies will

Sind will certainly fall to the

pears to have gained an ab-

solute majority in the largest

province. Punjab. with the

help of independent MPs. In

the short term, the PPP looks

like facing a destabilizing tus-

sle, with potentially dangerous

consequences for peace be-tween Punjabis and the pro-PPP Sindhi community.

In Baluchistan, where the

seats are divided between four

main parties and several in-

Leading article...

Islamization policies.

new Prime Minister of Pakistan, President Ishaq Khan announced on state television last eight, and will be sworn in

She is the first woman Prime Minister of a Muslim and thus receives vindication for ber executed father, the former Prime Mioister, Zulfikar Ali Bhutto, and for her own imprisonment, exile and persecution under General Zia.

nounced that the state of essential for national unity".

immediately.

This will be a weight off the

The President said that he People's Party, which holds an and named Miss Bhutto as absolute majority in the had named Miss Bhutto as Prime Minister because she was the choice of the nation. He praised her education, character and patriotism.

erusalem, Judaism's holiest He said that, since no party More than 50 women, attending the first inter-national Jewish feminists' had secured an absolute majority, some elderly political leaders had suggested a coalition government. He himself thought this was the best solution, but it was a matter for the Leader of the

> But the President added that he found no real dif-ference in the manifestos of

Miss Benazir Bhuno is the people's welfare could be pro- Ulema-e-Islam religious tected only if government and opposition became used to operating in an atmosphere of mutual understanding. In a key phrase, given the likelihood of conflict between

Miss Bhutto's central administration and the provincial government of her Islamic Wali Khan. Democratic Alliance opponents in Punjab, the President said: "No one can deny that good relations between the federation and the provinces are a must for a successful

The words seemed even an overall majority of 61. braver early yesterday morning after the Labour Party one ultra-Orthodox religious new coalition with Labour.

With the support of its five members, Mr Shimon Peres,

that the next Israeli government, whatever its composition, will be hamstrung by the conflicting demands of its Mr Shamir is currently in

one headed by Labour.

with it signing a coalition

Shas was promised the Housing and Interior ministries and en an undertaking that Likud would introduce legislation to limit Jewish nationality to those converted according to ultra-Orthodox rules.

In contrast, Mr Peres has

reports from Jerusalem). The protest roused the anger of ultra-Orthodox rabbis, one of whom said: "A woman carrying a Torah is like a pig at the Wailing Wall."

shrine, yesterday.

Torah (Bible) scroll as she and

other members of the American Jewish Congress sang and prayed at the Wailing Wall in

equality in the male-domi

party. But there remains a faint possibility of an alliance-Frontier Province, the People's Party has been trying for a coalition with the local Awami National Party, led by veteran Pathan nationalist

A link between the two parties might create a problem between the People's Party and the security forces, as the ANP has had good relations with the communist regime in Kabul, and has been strongly opposed to President Zia's support for the Mujahidin rebels in Afghanistan.

In the National Assembly, the PPP is set to take a small absolute majority with the help of independent and tribal and minority representatives. The alliance in the assembly appears in a state of some confusion and was unable yesterday to agree on a leader of the opposition.

As Miss Bbutto is sworo in as Prime Minister today, the The immediate economie also be chosing their chief hopes of many ordinary people are running high. But some PPP leaders are arguing in private for an austerity programme to deal with the country's budget deficit and foreign debt, and the threat of

inflation. Mr Ishaq Khan is almost certain to remain as President. The alliance has proposed his name for the elections due on December 12, and it is highly unlikely that the People's

Party will oppose him. Mr Ishaq Khan and General Aslam Beg, the Chief of Staff, have clearly decided to give Miss Bhutto's Government a that he found no real dif-ference in the manifestos of pears likely, including the same thing as saying that they the main parties, and that the alliance and led by the Jamiat will not take over again.

Envoy will try to turn pro-Arab tide in Britain

By Andrew McEwen, Diplomatic Correspondent

Israel's new Ambassador to and debate which preceded London, Mr Yoav Biran, has taken office at a time when British public sympathy is running strongly in favour of the Palestinian cause.

The declarations of the Palestine National Council, implicitly recognizing Israel's right to exist and renouncing terrorism have influenced the attitude of all 12 EEC coun-

tries, including Britain. articulate and engaging diplomat the task of trying to stop the pro-Pakestinian drift in Britain, but his starting point could bardly be less encouraging. London has just taken the rare step of distancing itself from Washington on an important policy issue, expressing "regret" at the decision to refuse a visa to Mr Yassir Arafat, the Palestine Liberation Organizatioa chairman, to speak at the United Nations General Assembly.

It is ready to consider an Arab proposal to move the UN's Middle East debate



Mr Biran: Says PLO lives by the gun and the bomb.

to Geneva to overcome the ban. And it is considering the possibility of resuming ministerial meetings with the PLO, suspended since 1983.

In an interview with The Times after presenting his letters of credence to The Queen, Mr Biran, aged 49, implicitly urged the Government not to take this step.

"I think one should judge any development on the basis of the question 'Does it help the peace-making process?," he said. "To make any move towards the PLO is not conducive towards the peace effort and therefore is counterproductive, and any serious and responsible government ... should think very carefully of Mr Mellor's utterances before making such a move, were really uncalled for. As for before making such a move, which would be very un-

helpful." ish not view the Algiers accept that one may differ with declarations as evidence of moderation by the Palestinians. Mr Biran said: "We agree that the resolutions are over which we have no control. presented in a very moderate We take full responsibility for language, that the discussions our behaviour."

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(them) created an atmosphere that something meaningful was happening, and I can understand why the PNC resolutions on the face of it may look like something

"But when you look seriously into the content you find that there is no progress, that they stick with prior positions, although they present them in

He said that the Palestinians had not changed their aim of establishing a state covering the whole of Palestine, including the territory of Israel. The PNC proclamation of an independent state, which the Foreign Office described as premature", was assumed in Europe to refer to the West Bank and Gaza. But Mr Biran argues that subsequent clarifications by Palestinian moderates have shown that it was intended to include the entire territory.

A statement by Mr Arafat apparently renouncing vi-olence was also misinterpreted. The PNC had not set aside a statement Mr Arafat made in 1985 excluding military action against Israel from its definition of terrorism. "So it is a play on words. From their point of view the terror-ism against Israel and in the (occupied) territories remains a legitimate and acceptable sort of behaviour.

"Since Arafat is the chairman of Fatah ... which took responsibility for terrorist acts, I think they do not deserve the privilege of addressing the UN. So on the reading of the PNC statements, we beg to differ with Britain and with some other European countries. We feel that the PLO is an organization that still lives by the gun and by the bomb."

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William Waldegrave, recently suggested Israel was

sleepwalking to disaster.

Mr Biran remarked: "Some the recent reference to Israel as 'sleepwalking', we didn't Asked why should the Brit-make a hig fuss out of it. I can us, (but) we weren't too impressed by an attempt to describe our behaviour as one

 Since Arafat is the chairman of Fatah, which has taken the responsibility for terrorist acts, I think that they do not deserve the privilege of addressing the UN

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Japanese minister hints at quitting in share scandal

Mr Kiichi Miyazawa, the Finance Minister and Deputy Prime Minister, hinted strongly yesterday that he was ready to go if it would quicken the passage through Parliament of crucial tax reforms on which Mr Noboru Takeshita, the Prime Minister, has staked his own political future.

The sacrificial hint came after Mr Miyazawa had testified falteringly before a parliamentary committee investigating how leading politicians, aides and husinessmen were uffered privileged access to shares in the Recruit Cosmos real estate company. The value of the shares swelled when they were later listed on the stock market.

Although aides to Mr Takeshita and to his prede-cessor, Mr Yasuhiro Nakasnne, were among those favoured by the company (aides are the traditional middlemen in Japan for paying for is being so grudging channelling funds to MPs). Mr and graceless about revealing how his name got entangled in Miyazawa was the unly Min-ister whose name appeared on the list of stock recipients. He opposition MPs protest, for

A senior Cabinet minister has any crime was committed, business and politics, find the recalled that he had allowed a indicated be may resign rather that MPs and bureaubecause of his links with the crats compromised themshare profiteering scandal that selves by accepting favours

may have broken stock ex-change rules. are expected to keep their palms ungreased, if nnly

What political fall-out fur- because they are often more ther revelations might have in influential than ministers -Japan is difficult to guess. Mr have taken the company's Kakuei Tanaka, the former mnney, too. Prime Minister who was ac-

The costs of being a politician in Japan, like the cost of is rocking the Japanese from Mr Hiromase Ezoe, the everything is astronomical, Government. former chairman of the and the Japanese know how most of their representatives However, Tokyo public resolve the dilemma. What prosecutors are investigating has inited them are revelations the case and some of the deals that top civil servants — who

suggestion laughable.

The noose around Mr cused of taking bribes from Miyazawa's neck tightened

Tokyo - The Japanese Government plans to give a new year's present of about 100 million yen (£448,000) to every village and town in the country (Reuter reports). Officials said that the equivalent of £1.4 billion would be given to local anthorities and they would decide how to spend the money. The funds are expected to be used largely for local development projects.

pany, remained a power be-Lockheed scandal did not break the Liberal Democrats' stranglehold on power.

What Mr Miyazawa is really

the Lockheed aircarft com- yesterday when, under questioning from opposition MPs, hind the scenes long after he he substantially revised the was eased from office; and the story of how he got involved in the mess. It was not the first time he had retold the tale, each new explanation forced nut by the pace of events rather than by any transparent urge to clear the mystery and

Each time the blame was vested in his aide, Mr Tsuneo says he is innocent and has not eroding the public's trust in benefited from the deals.

So far no one has supersted to the state of the state of the year, benefited from the deals. So far no one has suggested used to the blur between happened at all; then he shuffle his Cabinet anyway.

business associate to use his boss's name to buy the shares; now Mr Hattori remembers that he bought all the shares for himself, although he has misplaced the transaction

certificates. The Finance Minister, who is aged 69 and appears to have realized that his dream of becoming Prime Minister is over, has decided to make the best of the mess by offering himself as a bargaining chip.

He says all he wants is to steer through the overhaul of Japan's tax structure and that he is "ready to step down if this issue is considered a hindrance to the passage of the tax reform Bills. That is my only concern, and therefore I have no intention of clinging tn my present Cabinet

But Mr Miyazawa, as Finance Minister, is the chief sponsor of the tax legislation. To lose him now could derail the already tight legislative timetable for passage of the controversial tax Bills. Also, such a blatant confession of guilt might refire the opposition's flagging zeal for the scandal

It may be Mr Takeshita's

Brothers in arms meet in Mexico



President Castro of Cuba being em-braced by his Nicaraguan counterpart, Sedor Daniel Ortega, in Mexico City yesterday, where the two were attending a reception for international leaders during the inauguration of Sedor Carlos Salinas de Gortari as President of Mexico for a six-year term.

Mr George Shultz, the US Secretary of State, was flying in shortly before the ceremony as observers mused whether he might bump into, or try to avoid, Presidents Castro and Ortega (Phil Davison writes).

It was President Castro who stole the show from the moment he arrived on Wednesday evening. Still walking ramrod straight in his asual fatigues and

towering above the Mexicans there to welcome him, he was returning to the city where he lived and planned his revolution before sailing for Cuba 32 years ago.

There was widespread criticism in Mexico from right-wing opposition and business circles over the invitation extended to the Cuban and Nicaraguan leaders. Some business chiefs said that this sent a bad signal to Mexico's key Western trading partners and creditors.

On the other hand, left-wingers were surprised that President Castro had accepted an invitation to the inauguration of what they see as an illegal leader, who they say was "imposed" through massive electoral frand in July.

President Salinas gave some solid clues about his plans when he announced his Cabinet on Wednesday night, appointing a respected banker, Seiter Fernando Solana Morales, as Foreign Minister, and Senor Fernando Gutiérrez Barrios as Interior Minister. Other key

ministers include: Defence Schor Antonio Riviello Bazin; Finance and Public Credit Schor Pedro Aspe Armella: Planning and Budget Señor Ernesto Zedillo Ponce de León; Commerca and Industrial Development Schor Jaime Serra Puche; Agriculture and Water Resources Señor Jorge de la Vega Dominguez; Communication and Transport Señor Andrés Caso Lombardo: Public Education Señor Manuel Bartlett Díaz: Health Señor Jesús Kumate Rodríguez

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Conflict in Malaysia

Judicial reshuffle test for Mahathir

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ident of the Malaysian Su- criminal division. preme Court, has provided another test of wills between Malaysia's nine hereditary rulers and Datuk Seri Dr Maha- Abu Talib Osman, the Attorthir Mohamed, the Prime Minister,

Tan Sri Hamid was appointed after informal nego- and the five judges was not tiations during the Conference of Rulers in Kuala Lumpur by the Bar Council. last month, but for a term limited to three years. He is aged 59 and normally could have been expected to be in office until he was 65.

Informed sources said that Tan Sri Hamid had the sup- Chief Justice would make it port of six rulers, but to get a difficult to appoint the Attorconsensus they agreed to a ney General.

Tan Sri Hamid was chairman of the judicial tribunal that dismissed his predecessor as Lord President, Tun Salleh Abas, and it was he who brought the charges against five Supreme Court judges whn also faced dismis judicial tribunal. Two of them were dismissed.

Appointments to the judiciary have to be referred to the rulers, who have vetoed or five years by the rulers, in delayed appointments in the rotation and by seniority. past. A woman judge had to Since independence, no ruler wait for nearly two years for her appointment because the been denied it, although at

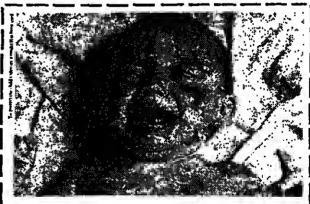
The appointment of Tan Sri sentence. She was eventually Abdul Hamid Omar, the Chief appointed an condition that Justice, as the new Lord Pres- she was not assigned to the

Datuk Seri Mahathir could not get the rulers to agree to the appointment of Tan Sriney General, as Chief Justice, The Attorney General's role in the action against Tun Salleh viewed kindly by the rulers or

An official statement saidthat the Chief Justice would be appointed by the new Lord President. But the appointment of Tan Sri Hashim Yeop Sani as acting

also decided in informal discussions that the Sultan of Perak, who was Tun Saileh's predecessor as Lord President, would succeed the Sultan of Juhore as Malaysia's King for five years next April. There had been some dnubt that he would be elected, but tradition prevailed and five other rulers supported bim.

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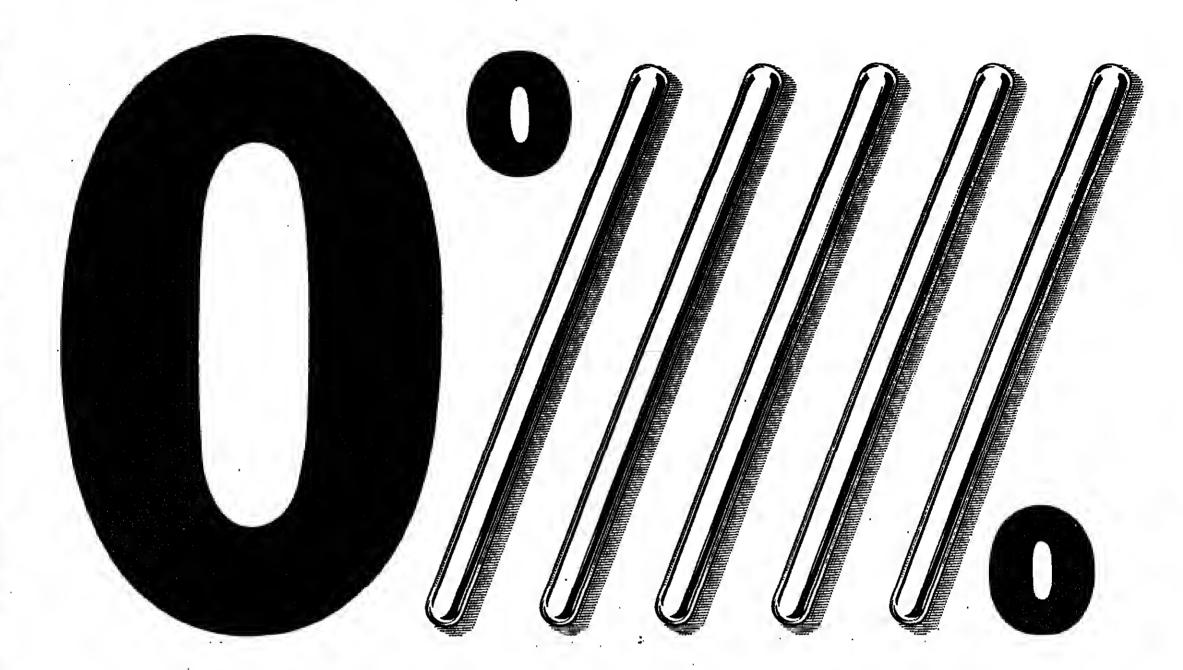


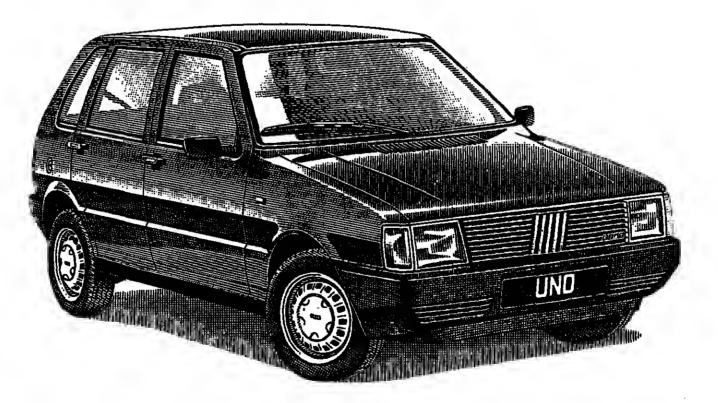
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MPs' anger over Ryan

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The Opposition's anger with Mrs Thatcher over her comments on the Patrick Ryan extradition case and the anger of Conservative MPs with the Belgian and Irish authorities was made clear to the Attorney General when he was questioned about the case in the Commons.

The Labour Front Bench referred in the Prime Minister's "hysterical outburst" and another Labour MP said that Mrs Thatcher had prejudiced the prospects of a fair trial for Father Ryan.

A Conservative backbencher accused the Irish and Belgian governments of double-crossing

Mr John Morris, shadow Attorney General, asked how the Prime Minister's hysterical outburst on Tuesday had as-sisted the case for future extradition.

Belgium and Ireland were sovereign states and could oot be treated like erring Cabinet

There was a difference to the practices in each country and it would have been better if the
Attorney General had advised
the House first rather than
allowing the press to be briefed
oo his behalf, with the consequent dangers of prejudicing a fair trial.

"He knows my support for him in extradition cases and he has acknowledged it, but why can he not get his act right? What has become of the Home Secretary's promise that the Director of Public Prosecutions would ensure personally that warrants were checked for accuracy and sufficiency?"

Would the Attorney General confirm that on Wednesday, when the draft warrants arrived, the Irish Government lawyers had pointed out a oumber of serious flaws and that on Thursday the Irish Attorney General's officials had telephooed urging that corrected material be sent

If Patrick Ryan had been wrongly arrested, could that not have put future extradition procedings at risk? In any event he would have had to be released late on Sunday had he been arrested on a provisional warrant on Friday.

Could there be confirmation of reports that it was the Irish Government which suggested the possibility of an advance warrant and material, should things go wrong in Belgium? "The Irish seem to be at fault



Sir Patrick: No complaint about the documents before the Irish Attorney General

What was the position oow of the close and personal relatioo-ship between the Attorney Gen-eral and his opposite oumber in the recording

Sir Patrick: "I utterly reject the premise which he founds his question upon, that the Prime Mioister's observations on Tuesday were in any way to be criticized.

As to future applications for extradition from the republic, he hoped that lessons would be learnt from the application which might facilitate what he trusted and believed to be the

for five days, but the Belgians objective of both governments, warrants. These had the specific namely to bring persons sus-pected of serious offences to had five months."

justice in the courts of the countries where the offences were alleged to have occured. He had made an application the republic? for the extradition of Ryan and was waiting for the response of the Irish Attorney General. He had been asked why he did not get his act right, but no com-plaint or even query had been raised as to the sufficiency or propriety of any of the docu-ments before the Irish Attorney

Much misleading publicity had been given about the draft

denly arrested there would be just three days for the whole procedure to be gone through.

His relationship with the Irish Attorney General was one of trust and friendship. Each had a duty to perform, he (Sir Patrick) had performed his and he was sure Mr Murray would perform his and ensure that a decision was given quickly.

Mr Ivor Stanbrock (Orping-mn, C) said that Britain had been double crossed by the Irish and Belgian governments. Un-der the terms of the Anglo-Irish der the terms of the Anglo-frish agreement the Irish had given their Attorney General the power to delay or veto any warrant provision. The Irish Attorney General had used that power to the great disadvantage of justice.

Sir Patrick said that when the power was conferred he had said that it could act as an obstacle to

Mr Robert Maciellan, Democrat spokesman home affairs, said that the Prime Minister's comments aboot proceedings to Ireland had not helped the cause of justice.

Sir Patrick: The Prime Min-ister said that the failure to secure the arrests was a matter of great concern to the British Government. It is a matter of great concern to every MP and the Prime Minister is entitled to

Mr Peter Archer (Warley West, Lab) said that the Prime Minister's attempt to apply political pressure was counter-productive and prejudiced any prospect of a fair trial.

Mr James Molyneaux, leader of the OUP, said that there was oow an obligation on the Dublin Government to co-operate fully a civilized and unreserved

Sir Patrick said that there was no legitmate reason why both governments could not co-op-erate in the fight against terrorism to which they were both

Mr Merlyn Rees (Leeds South and Morley, Lab), a former Northern Ireland secretary, said that there were many people in southern ire-iand who were not IRA support-ers, who did not think Irish people would get a fair trial in Britain. purpose of allowing comments by the Irish Government which Provisional warrants had a three-day life and somebody

Sir Patrick said there was no justification for that view (Labour protests).

Mr James Kilfedder (North Down, UPUP) said that the vast numbers of people from the republic moving to Britain belied the belief they did not have any faith in British justice.

Sir Patrick said that the Irish Government did not believe that there was no prospect of a fair trial in this country.

UK officials not to blame, House told

The Prime Minister denied during questions that failure to extradite Father Patrick Ryan was any fault of the Crown

Replying to Mr Gerald Bowden (Dulwich, C), she said that Replying to Mr Gerain Boyder (Dilwich, Cr Sate Sate any such suggestion was unwarranted. "The Irish authorities could have sought a provisional warrant from very early last Friday evening. The Irish Attorney General has been in a position to authorize backing of the original warrants since they arrived in Dublin early on Saturday. It is now five days since all the documents were sent to Dublin. No questions have been raised as to the sufficiency of the statements of fact and law."

Mr John Hame, leader of the SDLP, asked what contribution her prejudgement of the Irish authorities' attitude on Tuesday had made — before they had taken a decision in accordance with their own law. The Irish authorities had extradited 895 people to the UK during the present troubles. How did that square with her accusation that they were only interested in fine words and

Mrs Thatcher: The law on extradition was changed unilaterally by the Republic of Ireland. The Attorney General nevertheless endeavoured fully to comply with the new law. It is

The case history

An account of the way in which Britain has sought to extradite Patrick Ryan from Belgium and the Irish Republic was given to the Commons by Sir Patrick Maybew, the Attorney General.

In response to an emergency question from Mr John Morris, chief Oppositioo legal spokes-man, he said: The Government has sought the extradition of Patrick Ryan from Belgium and the Metropolitan Police, latterly, from the Republic of

In the Belgian proceedings, which followed Patrick Ryan's arrest in Belgium on June 30, 1988, he said extradition had been sought on charges of conspiracy to murder and pos-session of explosives.

He added: The extradition of Ryan was authorized by the Belgian court of first instance on September 26, subject to the approval of the Minister of Justice and the Court of Appeal of Brussels on October 12, in respect of the two conspiracy

The Ryan case then fell to be considered by the Belgian Minister of Justice. On Friday November 25, the Belgian Government refused to order extradition and ordered repatriation of Patrick Ryan to the republic.

On learning, on Friday afternoon of the Belgian decision, and that Ryan was expected to arrive in Dublin that evening, application was made immediately by the Crown Prosecution Service at Bow Street court for the property for Ryan's arrest. fresh warrants for Ryan's arrest, as is necessary to comply with Irish requirements.

They were issued late that afternoon and and facsimiles were delivered to the Irish authorities in Dublin at 6.20

· Facsimilies of the documentatioo which the Irish Attorney General requires under the pro-visions of the Irish Extradition (Amendment) Act, 1987, were transmitted to his department between 4.30 and 6.30 that

On Friday, the Metropolitan Police had requested the Gardai to obtain provisional warrants, pending the arrival in Dublin of the warrants from Bow Street. They were delivered to the Irish authorities in Dublin in the early hours of Saturday, but no provisional warrants were, how-

My department was in touch with the its counterpart in

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Dublin oo Friday night, with a view to enabling me to speak to Mr Murray, the Irish Attorney General, because we had learnt from the Metropolitan Police that they had been told by by the Gardai that no action was to be taken oo any warrant until the two attorney generals had

I spoke to Mr Murray for the first time when he telephoned me at 10.30 on Monday morning. He informed me that he was still considering the documentation. tion. I drew attention to the risk that Ryan might discharge him-self from the clinic where he was undergoing treatment and asked him to take an early decision.

Mr Murray acknowledged that risk. I told him that if there was any problem or any ques-tion was raised I would be immediately available. No question as to the adequacy of any of the documentation sent to him for the purposes of the 1987 Act has been raised with me. I understand that Mr Murray is

still considering the application. Before the effective warrants were obtained on Friday, warrants in draft form were, on Wednesday November 23, sub-mitted to the Irish Attorney General's Office.

This followed a helpful prac-tice, for which I am grateful, that has been developed between the two departments, the law and practice in relation to warrants being different in the Republic of Ireland from that of England.

These documents were sent on a contingency basis, lest the Belgians decided to repatriate Rvan. The draft warrants die not constitute the sending of a request for extradition. The very purpose of sending drafts to the Irish is to allow them to comment on the form of the warrants. Irish officials, apart from drawing attention to minor details and certain presentational matters, expressed them-selves satisfied with the form of the warrants. The Bow Street warrants took account of those comments on Friday.

The Irish authorities alerted us on Saturday to an omission hy the Bow Street chief clerk of a date in the certificate accompanying the warrants. This omission, which we were advised was not a scrious matter, was immediately rectified on the

sides of the Commons in a debate that ended early on

Thatcher threat to Post Office

The Government would have to consider the Post Office's monopoly if disruption to the post continued, the Prime Minister told MPs at question time.

She said that she de-plored such action, which was extremely ungenerous at this time of year. It was also very damaging to small

Mrs Teresa Gorman (Billericay, C) had said that in be run-up to Christmas the Post Office unions were already up to their sea-sonal nonsense of striking.

Would the Government remove the one obstacle that prevented the private sector from competing by lower-ing the threshold from £1 to tOp so that private nct-works could afford to compete?

Mrs Thatcher said that the Post Office had a monop-oly and if such things cootinued, the Government would have to consider precisely what Mrs Gorman had said, reducing the mooopoly from £1.

Ministers 'at risk'

During questions on agri-culture, Mr Dennis Skinner (Bolsover, Lab) raised the possibility that the Chancellor of the Exchequer was suffering from tunnel visioo as a result of an infection by bovine spongiform

He asked whether people who are large quanti-ties of meat were affected and whether the disease, also known as spongy brain. could be passed oo.

He suggested that ministers who attended large banquers could be affected.

Mr Donald Thompson Parliamentary Secretary for Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, rejected the suggestion. He said that the disease had not affected meat, and could not be passed oo by that means.

Parliament next week

The main business in the House of Commons next week is expected to be: Monday: Elected Authori-ties (Northern Ireland) Bill, second reading.
Tuesday: Prevention of
Terrorism (Temporary Provisions) Bill, second

reading. Wednesday and Thursday: Water Bill, secood reading. Friday: Debate on the

The main business in the House of Lords is expected to be: Tuesday: Children Bill, second reading. Wednesday: Debates on consumer debt and oo help for the mentally ill and mentally handicapped. Thursday: Debate on the ban oo broadcasts by terrorists.

Parliament today Commons (9.30): Debate on the new parliamentary

During noisy and bad tempered exchanges with the Leader of the Opposition at question time,

Mrs Thatcher emphasized that there were no immediate plans to exclude mortgage payemis from the Retail Price Index. The proposal had been put to an advisory committee in the past and the committee had rejected

Mr Neil Kinnock asked the Prime Minister whether she agreed with the Chancellor of the Exchequer that mortgage

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Plan to change RPI calculation denied the Prime Minister (Conservative protests). It is true, it is true (Conservative shouts: Withdraw). Who can believe that the Prime Minister does not want to take protested on the prime Minister does not

want to take mortgage interest payments out to the RPI?" Mrs Thatcher: We remember Mr Kinnock said that the

when there was a promise to increase pensions by either the amount of inflation or by having regard to earnings — and the pensioners got neither. The actual increase under Labour was too great for Labour to honour their promise and they did the biggest cheat on the pensioners ever known.

could be incorporated in the

arrested on them had then to be

released unless a substantive warrant had been backed. The

Irish Attorney General had al-ready taken five and a-half days to consider the matter. That

gave weight to the objections the

British Government had raised at the end of last year to the new

unilateral legislation put forward by the Irish Government.

Where somebody was sud-

Mr Kinnock: That was a pathetic cheat from the Queen

If housing costs did not figure large in the Thatcher family they did figure large for the families of the rest of Britain. Any Retail Price Index that did not include mortgage interest payments would be fraudulent. Was that what made it attractive to the Prime Minister?

Mrs Thatcher: The biggest fraud on the pensioners cost them the equivalent of £1 billion in 1976 under Labour. Pensioners now have far more certainty

Minister grants conditional permission

Rig debris to be blown up

The following report of the second reading debate in the Commons on the Petroleum Royalties (Relief) and Continental Shelf Bill appeared in later editions yesterday.

However, speaking during the debate, Mr Morrisoo said that there were conditions attached, so final approval had oot yet been given.

"These include requirements

The Government has conditionally approved a plan to blow up the remains of the Piper Alpha platform in the North Sea, which exploded in July with the loss of 167 lives, Mr Peter Merrison, Minister of State for Energy, told MPs.

The Secretary of State (Mr Cecil Parkinsoo) had given ap-proval to Occidental, the op-erator of the rig, and its co-It would be done by explosives charges that would topple the remains of the installation outwards on to the sea bed away from the pile of debris, leaving 75 metres of clear water above

"These include requirements for surveys of the toppled remains and surrounding sea bed to establish the position of debris and to monitor for leakage of oil or gas."

They also required testing for the presence of polychlorinated biphenyls and radioactivity and provided for debris to be moved or removed as the Secretary of State might direct and "for any leakage of oil or gas to be sealed to his satisfaction and for steps to be taken to deal with any unaccompanies."

He said that the decision had been taken overnight. Until his announcement, even Occidental had not been told.

The Bill would end royalties for new fields in the southern basin of the North Sea and on

given by the Chancellor of the Exchequer and implements the agreement reached between the UK and the Republic of Ireland on the determination of the continental shelf.

During the debate, Mr Mal-colm Brace, I spokes-man on natural resources, called for an independent North Sea safety inspectorate. He said: It is going to need

greater powers and resources to carry out inspections and lay down standards if people who work offshore and their dependents are to be satisfied and their concerns allayed. The Bill was read a second

Thursday. Mr John MacGregor, Min-ister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, said that the Govern-ment felt that the Commissioo's proposals represented a reasonable balance between the in-nerests of Community producers, consumers, taxpayers and the Community's inter-

> The proposals were oot likely to have any significant effect on retail prices. The New Zealand Govern-ment had endorsed the plan. A decision on the matter had still

national obligations.

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EEC proposals to cut imports of New Zealand butter ioto the Community by about 26 per cent over the next four years were attacked by MPs from both Mr David Clark, chief Opposition spokesman oo agri-culture, said that if trade was to be liberalized according to the EEC's commitment, it would seem strange if, at the same time, there was a move towards restrictions on New Zealand

Sir Richard Body (Holland with Bostoo, C): We are talking about an attack oo the preferences of the British people.

Not an ounce of New Zealand butter can come into the country unless the British people have indicated their wish to huy

MPs agreed in take note of an

EEC document on the pro-

Lullington (Dem) said that Crown courts sectenced a higher

to be taken in the Council of Ministers.

Peer demands parole system reform

The following report of a Lords debate on prison reform ap-peared in later editions yes-

A radical reform of the present system of parole and remission was called for by Lord Carlisle of Bucklow (C), who chaired the recent inquiry into

the parole system. Speaking in the debate, he said that parole and remission had led to the gap between what a judge said and what happened in a prisoner becoming too great. Existing arrangements misled the public about the length of sentences and under-mined the credibility of the

sentence passed.

His committee endorsed the principle of early release under supervision as being in the best interests of the iodividuals and society. All prisoners serving determinate sentences were going back to society, so it was better for them in go back under supervision than at the end of

Peer takes seat prison. Lord Mackenzie-Stuart, president of the European Court of Justice, took his sent on the crossbenches in the House of Lords. He was supported by Lord Keith of Kinkel and Lord

their sentence without any His inquiry had recom-mended that for all sentences up to and including four years' imprisonment — the vast majority - parole and remission should be removed.

Instead, the prisoner should serve the first half of the sentence in custody and, subject to good behaviour, he should be released under supervision. After three quarters of his sentence had been served, he should stay out of prison on conditional release until the end offence, he should return to

Opening the debate, Lord Allen of Abbeydale (Ind), for-mer Permanent Secretary at the Home Office, said that the treatment of offenders must be one of the criteria by which in judge a mature and caring society. At present, Britain did not pass the test with flying colours.

Conditions in some prisons were appalling. Anybody who had attended a morning's slopping-out could be forgiven for wondering if Britain had come all that far from John Howard's campaign two centuries ago.

to elevate public attitudes away

For the Opposition, Lady Ewart-Biggs said that the recent Green Paper Punishment, Custody and the Community, on alternatives to custody, did not continuously that contain much that was new, except for electronic tagging. The Government had a duty

Lady Ewart-Biggs: Call for

humane treatment punishment and retribution towards a commitment to deal with those who broke the law in

a more constructive, creative Lord Hutchinson



proportion of young offenders to custody than male adults. The result of that oppressive approach had been a re-convic-tion rate of 66 per cent. order, the state is actively breeding offenders."

"Under the banner of law and

Lord Irvine of Lairy, for the Opposition, proposed a sentencing commission consisting of judges, magistrates and in-terested bodies to examine the aims of sentencing and proper

Lord Ferrers, deputy Leader of the House, said that he would give this idea consideration.

Violent and serious offenders must get long prison sentences. Less serious offenders should be dealt with as far as possible within and by the community. The use of custody for juveniles should be limited as far as

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N Zealand butter scheme attacked.

SPECTRUM

eserted

Four years ago the world's worst industrial accident killed 3,000 people and left 26,000 seriously ill in the Indian city of Bhopal. Why has compensation still not been paid? Edward Gorman reports

here can be few more moving memorials to the dead and, in this case, to those who are still dying - than the simple concrete figure opposite the ghost-like shell of the Union

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Carbide pesticide plant. It is of a peasant woman, her head thrown back in agony with one hand clamped over her burning eyes, the other grasping the lifeless form of her dead child. She is in the act of running, facing away from the factory towards the shan-ties or *jhuggis* which line the road opposite the plant where so many of the victims of the deadly methyl isocyanate gas were poisoned to death on the night of December 2, 1984.

Like so many in their terror that night, she is making the fatal, if understandable, mis-Union Carbide towards the city where the lethal contents of Tank 610 was concentrating in the chilly and damp midnight air,

rough plinth which the slum dwellers sweep and clean reverently every morning reads; "No Hiroshima. No Bhopal. We Want to Live". In a note underneath, sculptors Ruth Waterman and Sanjay Mitra dedicated "... to the victims of the gas disaster caused by the multipational killer Union

Today, four years after the world's worst industrial accident, when cootamination of an uoderground tank the panic he ran upwind of the caused a runaway reaction, gas while most of his family sending a deadly acrid white- ran the other way. He has yellow mist over the city, since received 60,000 rupees

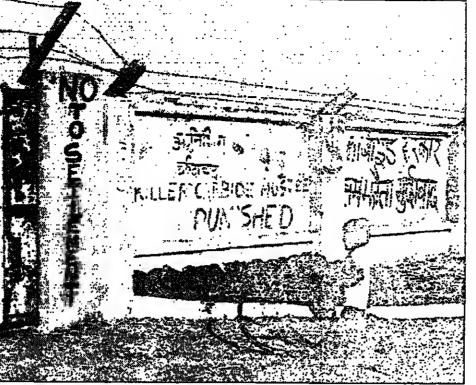
which to date has killed more

than 3,000 people, the Ameri-can-owned factory is deserted. The huge storage tanks have grown rusty in disuse and the spaghetti-like confection of green-orange pipes are home to flocks of birds which swirl and settle on the lifeless structure. Along the outside wall, topped with barbed wire, the people of Bhopal have daubed the slogans of anger and revenge. "Killer Carbide must be punished," reads one. Another says the company must be forced to pay interim compensation to the victims while a third blames the Indian government for failing to provide proper medical care for the estimated 26,000 people who remain chroni-

On the main gate, bracketed by the words "Killer Carbide", take of running downwind of a ghoulish face in black paint stares out with dollar signs for eyes and jail bars for teeth. The locals, proud of the display, stand willingly for photographers oo what has The inscription on the become an annual pilgrimage to this blighted city.

In the ramshackle huts the worst affected area, where more than 1,000 people died that night - it is not hard to find victims of the disaster. Sixteen-year-old Sunil lost his described their memorial as mother and father, two brothers and three sisters. He is oow the head of the family with responsibility for his tworoom shack, his four-year old brother Sanjay and his 14year-old sister Memta.

Sunil survived because in



Death factory: a child playing outside Union Carbide in Bhopal and (right) the daubed gates

(about £2,400) in assistance from the government which, he says, has been deposited in a bank and earns him an income of 500 rupees (£20 a

"We have sued, but there is the problem of school and interpreter. "It is very difficult

for us to survive on this money." After four years of waiting for compensation, Sunil has virtually given up hope of ever seeing the money so long promised to him. "I think it will take at least four or five years more. We shall clothing," he says through an get the money if the government wins the case. But I fear sary of the disaster.

the government will lose it." Sunil has formed his own pressure group among children in the *jhuggis*, called "Children Against Carbide". His procession cum demonstration will be one of a number in the city today, marking the fourth anniver-

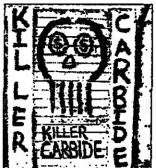
According to Indian government figures, 3,323 people have died from the effects of the gas, with a further 26,000 chronically sick and more than 500,000 affected overall. Most of the injured are suffering from the effects of lung damage. The methyl isocyanate or MIC burned the surface of the lungs, which has now healed as scar tissue incapable of absorbing oxygen. In mild cases this causes a shortness of breath; in the chronic, an inability to perform even the most simple

Dr M.P. Dwivedi, who is researching the effects of the gas, says the cellular make-up of the fluid in the lungs has also been damaged. He compares the deteriorating affects of this to the symptoms of a lifelong and very heavy cigarette smoker. "As time passes by it is hoped the problems will be reduced, but other chronic symptoms may still arise," he warns. "I think many of the victims will have to be watched for a very long time - perhaps for as long as 20 or 25 years.

Other disorders include damage to the eyes, which has reduced fine vision; gastrointestinal and muscular problems; fatigue and neurotic disorders, which Dr Dwivedi describes as feelings of insecurity, an inability to concentrate and nightmares.

It is, of course, utterly reprehensible that four years after the disaster the comhined power of the Indian government and what was once one of the world's wealthiest and biggest multinational companies have failed to provide the desperately poor of Bhopal with

adequate compensation. So far, families of the dead have received a one-off payment from the government of 10.000 rupees (about £400) for each member lost and those with family members injured have received 1,500 rupees



(£60). Apart from a year-long free ration programme which was ended abruptly in January employment schemes and free hospital treatment, the victims have received virtually nothing.

The delay has fuelled anger and resentment here which in recent months has turned to apathy and a feeling of hope-

lessness. The sense of betraya. is particularly hard-felt among the hut dwellers, whose dreams of a new life were ruthlessly exploited in the first weeks after the disaster by American lawyers who swooped on the city, signing up clients and promising that millions of dollars in damages

were just around the corner. What anger remains is directed as much at the national government as at Union Carhide. Many victims and independent critics believe New Delhi is exploiting the case for political advantage, has unnecessarily delayed the legal proceedings, and should have accepted an out-of-court offer of \$650 million (£336 million)

by the company last October. and understandable fear that even if the government does win substantial damages, corruption, inefficiency and mismanagement - traditional and apparently ineradicable features of Indian life - will prevent most of the money reaching those who need it.

All of this is cold comfort for the victims in the slums, like railway worker Ratio Ahmad, who was serinusly ill for two years, has difficulty with breathing and suffers from memory loss. "I don't think we will ever get the money," he says bitterly. "We are angry with the government because they are feeding politically from this tragedy."

Legal toons

A blockbusting new film, Who Framed Judge Cassel, seeks to blend the two-dimensional cartoon characters of Britain's best-loved judges with real threebeings but, writes our film critic, Craig de Brongh, the mix is not always convincing.

sympathy to the offender and con-

These larger-than-life figures, who tend to play every scene for laughs, nvershadow the normal human beings they are placed above, thus distracting the viewer from an understanding of their very real plight. No amount of ingenuity can convince the viewer that the "judges", with their floppy ears, red noses and outrageous quips", could ever really be given positions of responibility in everyday life.

The main cartoon "judge", Harold Cassel, has been an animated mainstay of many comic cartoon courtroom classics for years. Some be-lieved that his heyday as a courtroom funster - best-known for the wackiness of his judgments, his off-the-cuff jests and his under-the-wig antics — was long past, but now he is experiencing a second wind as High Court Joker No. 1. Who Framed Judge Cassel

features Britain's most colourful cartoon "judges" in their best-loved capers, drawn from the last 40 years of high jinks in the High Court. Among those featured are Lord Justice Bertram Boop ("What IS a mini-skirt?"). Mr Justice Dumbo ("You freely admit that you are a woman, yet you complain that you were raped"), the honourable Mr Justice Tweed E. Pie ("Mr Haigh, you acted as any full-blooded male might properly have acted, and I share your outrage that the water board should bave allowed acid to trickle into your otherwise scrupulously maintained bath").

"Welcome to the topsyvy world of the great British ising empire, this now seems ctroom," runs the advertismore than likely. otroom," runs the advertis-

wildest nightmares movie shows how real human beings become pawns in the hands of a gang of cartoon "judges" who insist on playing everything for a giggle. "Gasp as a judge extends his

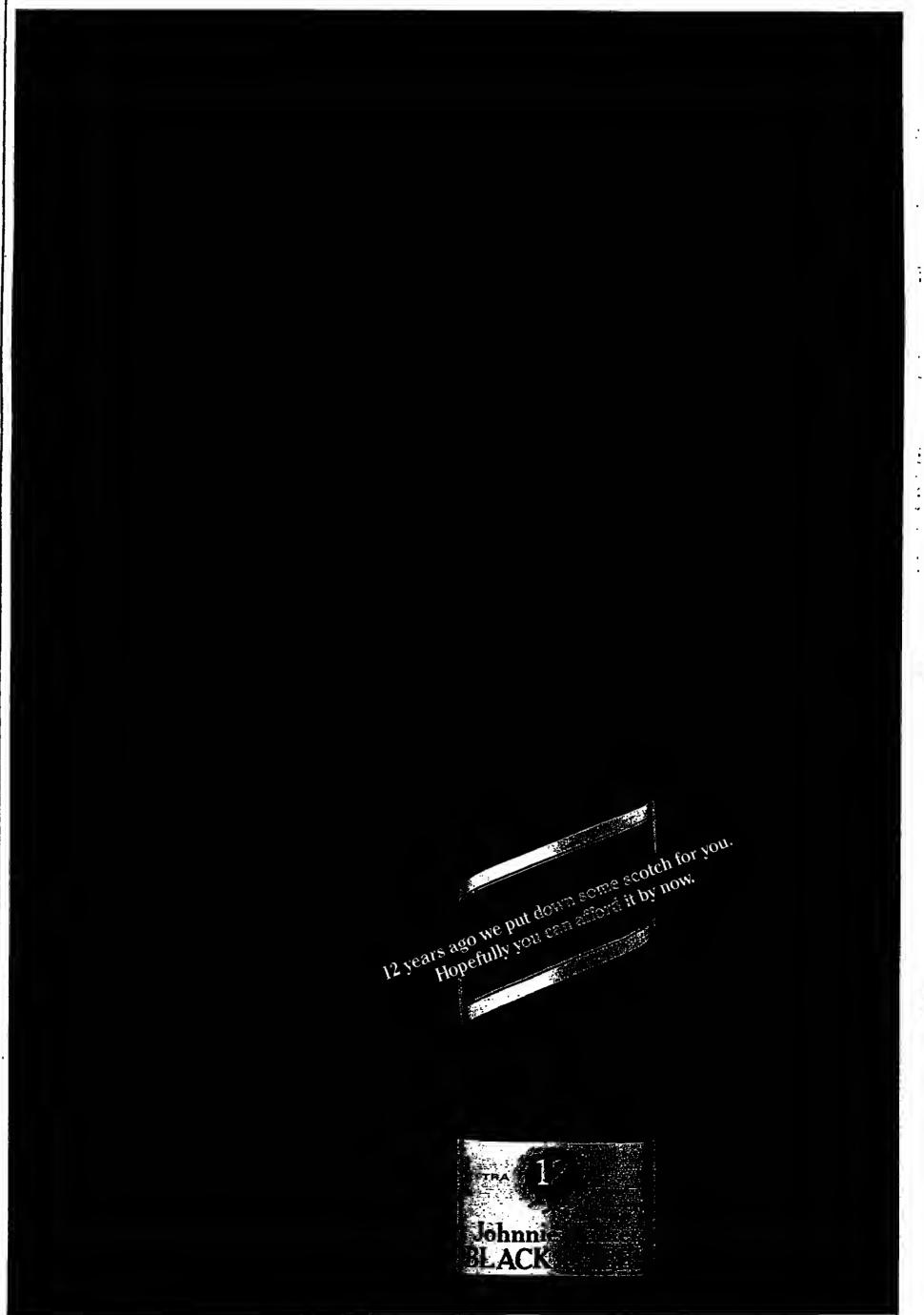
demas the victim!" the trailer continues. "In this madeap world, anything can happen and usually does!"

in public life whose word he would not take seriously, he would probably answer "pro-fessional comediaus". Yet in an expensive series of fullpage advertisements, the Health Education Authority has assembled a list of names of people calling for "a sustained and long-term pro-gramme of education" to combat Aids, the largest category consisting of third-rate comedians. Aside from the odd cleric and out-of-office MP, the list could be drawn from a Variety directory of this season's most off-putting pastomimes. Tim Brooke-Taylor, Wendy Craig, Leslie Crowther, Paul Daniels, Matthew Kelly, Paul Nicholas, Bill Oddie and Denis Norden all feature.

Presumably, the Health Education Council thinks itself very up-to-the-minute for inviting these weary old comedians to sign their "Aids Charter", but most people will view the decision as simply perverse. The effect will be similar to asking weighty fig-ures to advertise lightweight products. Will we soon see Sir Isaiah Berlin test-driving a Renault, or Sir William Čolding declaring that "the Milky Bars are on me", or Dame Iris Murdoch cooing over the "bluey-whiteness" of her husband's rugger shorts? If the Health Education Council manages to extend its advert-

TOMORROW

The winners of the Question Time and Glenfiddich competitions are announced in the Review section tomorrow





t could happen only in the Lords. Tory and Labour MPs never see their twn Chief whips thrashing it out at the dispatch box. But next Thursday Lord Denham, on the right, and Lord Ponsonhy, on the left, will do just that, in a debate calling for voting in the Upper Hause to be restricted to regular attenders. The debating time has been wan by the Labour whip. Lord Stoddart, who is still seething over Denham's heavy whipping-in of back-woodsmen to defeat revolts on the poll tax and eye-test charges.

The dehate is timely. Labour peers are due in carpet the party's deputy leader, Roy Hattersley, 10 make clear their resentment of Lahour's continuing commitment to abolishing their House. They will cite the many cancessions they have forced from government ministers. But the party's policy review, Democracy for the Individual and the Community, is already working on a replacement of the abolition policy, invalving reform of the chamber. It hopes to come up with a long-term plan next year, and has meanwhile mapped out a proposal to rid

hereditary peers of their voting rights.
Hattersley is an admitted obolidonist, but is showing signs of shifting nearer to Neil Kinnock's instincts for a two-chamber system. They could do worse then re-examine the 1970s' idea of phasing out hereditary peers and introducing new hlood through proportional representation. This radical idea is unlikely to find much favour with Mrs Thatcher. It was last mooted by the former Tory prime minister. Lord Home of the Hirsel.

B oth the Tory and Labour parties are facing a shake-up in their erudite and exclusive band of Scots legal experts at Westminster. The Lord Advocate, Lord Cameran of Lochbronm, the Lord Chancellor's equivalent north of the border, is widely tipped in gu the way of his predecess-ors — and his father — to a top appointment on the Scottish bench. His place is likely to be taken by Peter Fraser, the Scottish Solicitor General, one of those Tory MPs who lost his Scottish seat last year. But Mrs Thatcher would prefer the minister to have

a place in one of the Houses.
Labour also inst their Lords' man - Lord Morton — in the Scottish bench. The Prime Minister has agreed to give them a top Scottish QC, Donald Macaulay, as a shadnw Lord Advocate. Macaulay's introduction to the Lords waits on the 35 inhabitants of Bragar, a village no the island of Lewis. They must be consulted before peers can be allowed to enjoy the broad Scottisb brogue of Lord Macaulay of Bragar. Lord Morton bad no such problem - he chose the uninhabited island of Shuna for his title.

thout the need in subject them-selves to regular re-electino the peers persist with their campaigns through the years - as Nichnias Ridley will find in his cost. Lard Gregson's 1981 renpened to find out why the Government has not cleaned up dumps over the past seven years. As well as quizzing the not-sogreen Ridley, it is calling the Environment Secretary's top pollution experts, Doo Perryman and David Mills, to give them the rundown on the dumps. Neither boffin is likely to be inhihited in giving evidence. Both have resigned in protest against

government policy - nr lack nf it. The inquiry falls under the auspices of the Lords science and technningy select committee, a highly influential group that has a hahit of spotting weaknesses in government policy and prohing relentlessly. Ministers such as Lord Young, Kenneth Clarke and Kenneth Baker have faced their wrath. This session it intends to come back to lack of spending on civil research and development and also start a new sub-committee to examine overseas aid. Chris Patten beware!





't've heard it called some things in my time, dearie, but an eovironmental hazard's a new one on me'

inisters can be assured that peers even when roused, rarely resort to physical violence. Not so in the Commons. First it was Ron Brown with the Mace Now it is Andrew Faulds taking out his pent-up fury on the Chamber doors. Our sketch writer, Matthew Parris, re-

ported how the excitable actor MP appeared to clout a fellow Lahour backbencber on the head when he failed to be called to question Foreign Office ministers over Nicaragua. He went on to make a gesture that drave the Speaker in comment "disgraceful behav-iour" to his disappearing back. But on starming out of the chamber he slammed his fist against the doors, splitting one along the hinges. An apologetic Faulds has told the Speaker he will meet any repair costs.

Peers, who will have first shut at the football ID card Bill, are as sceptical as their colleagues in the other place about its efficacy and possible side-effects. Although not sporting many football spectaturs on the maroon benches, the upper House digs its toes in when faced with legislation "on the hoof", which might appear a bright idea but could prove unworkable in practice. Government whips are planning to hring in the Welwyn Conservative MP, David Evans, to give doubters on their own benches "a good talking to" at the critical moment. Evans, chairman of Luton Town club, is largely responsible for selling the idea to Mrs Thatcher after compulsory membership ckaned up violence at his own ground.

Robin Marris on the financial union essential to Europe's future

Why E-Day must come

like Venice - once great, still

beautiful, but sinking. But Mrs Thatcher's apponents must also beware, particularly nver macroeconnmic issues. Macroeconnmics is about public expenditure, taxes, mnney supply, interest rates and exchange rates. Freeing the frontiers be-fure "harmonizing" these policies may do more harm thao good, may cause actual decline io the living standards of some citizens or other disruptino to set the European movement back decades. When there is genuicely free movement of labour, capital and consumers, the differences in long-term tax structures, for example, that will be possible amning European countries will be no greater than are now sustainable between American states.

Shart-term policy co-ordination is equally important. Soon, hy brute force or otherwise, the huge US external financial deficit will have to be rectified.

Inevitably this will mean other countries moving generally from surpluses to deficits on their foreign trade, and this will hit some countries harder than nthcrs, especially in Europe. If governments act as one, they can absorb the shock relatively easily. If each has to adjust alone (or with at best only loose international co-operatino), there will be a severe economic loss, not only to the most hard-hit ecooo-

mies, but to the average Euro-

pean citizen: even those of the

strongest economies will suffer. In such a context, a common ceotral bank, with one monetary policy, is inevitable. That means a currency in which every Euro-pean automatically transacts; we cannot have a situation where many people, having lost their national currencies, wonder whether they would rather transact in dollars, yen, or gold. And just as the curreocies of countries today are largely backed by faith in the credit of the national government, so the future European currency must be backed by faith in the political and economic continuity of the Europeao central bank; hence, also, of the European political system.

This cannot be obtained by waviog a wand. Many people have pointed to the vigour and persistence of the idea of the nation state. For the British, with three centuries of constitutional continuity behind us, the idea is crucial. But, as an economist, I must point out that the economic counterpart of the pol-itical question is also dramatic.

There are probably less than a billion units of negotiable finaocial assets actually denominated in the Ecu (European Currency Unit, accounting unit of the European munetary system). A European monetary and economic union will have to be born oo a single day when there will be created enough Ecus to replace the entire Eoropean money supply, converted at rates determined by previous negotiatinn. For post "E-Day" currency ennfidence to survive, the conversion rates to new Ecus must be fixed at levels to minimize economic disruption to regions, industries or social groups. Negotiators must abandon national chauvinism and strive for conversion rates to serve the interests of all Euro-pean consumers (including those

In addition, it will be essential to ensure that out only monetary factors but also fiscal policy. especially with regard to transfers between regions, are adequate to ameliorate regional disadvantage. It will be crucial that capital flows from highwage regions to low-wage reginns, not the other way about. On balance, capital must flow out of West Germany, not into it. So Europe will need a tax

of their own cnuntries).

structure that is not only uni-Here is the problem. With its macroeconnmic sovereignty a macroeconumic sovereignty a country gives up a large slice of its political sovereignty. But many are convinced that does not mean sacrificing diversity, I quote from a Conservative Party namphlet. Tradition ond Reality; written by Robert Jackson, Minister of State for Higher Education: "The sense of idenuity of a penple depends ... upon a shared history, a habit of mutual regard, and a common store of respected symbols. These ... foundatinns are broader and deeper than those of

the political order." If a people's identity does not depend on the political order, it certainly does not depend on the macroeconomic order, does not depend, for example, on a uniquely British quality of the Old Lady of Threadneedle Street In truth, she is not very different, in practical policy, from her opposite number in Rome Many husiness people are arguing that if Britain persists along the path of insularity, the City of London is likely to be the loser.

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Bernard Levin

The expurgated opera lover

t all began with Lohengrin in July, when I emerged with a very curious feeling. It hado't been a particularly good performance, though it was far from a disaster, and the production, though getting a hit tired, was acceptable. I was not, therefore, seriously disappointed. But a sense of unease pursued me throughout dinner and all the way bnme. Only when I put my key in the lock did I realize what happened, and when I realized it I was so astonished that I stood transfixed on the mat, staring at my thoughts. I had discovered that I oever want

This weekend, at Rhodes, there

meets a body called the Euro-

pean Chuncil. There is no formal

agenda, hut everyone knows that the assembled EEC prime min-

isters and presidents can hardly

avnid another round of Mrs T v.

The Rest. The ultimate stake is nothing less than the future of

Europe - not some abstract

entity in Brussels, but the wealth

and welfare of all nur citizeos:

British, French, Dutch, Sicilians,

Spaniards, Greeks, Germans, A

few years ago Mrs Thatcher

signed a document called the

Single European Act, which has

more in it than she thought. It is

a hidden agenda for almost total

Yet she should welcome it, not

fear it. The European movement

was born in the cold war. If we

are now entering a period of

world detente, the existing eco-

nnmic great powers — the US, the USSR, Japan — face excellent

prospects. Europe, integrated, is

also an economic giant. Mea-

sured by purchasing power, the national income of the Commu-nity already exceeds that of the

US. Many segments of European

society, for example the lower

iocome groups, are already bet-ter off than their American counterparts. But Europe di-

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to hear Lohengrin again.
That io itself is oot surprising; it has never been among my faynurites, and practically everything io it is said much better either in Parsifol or in Act Two of Götterdammerung. But in the very oext secood I realized that I never want to hear Tonnhauser again either.

I sat down no the sofa, and contemplated my past life. Had I just been put under a spell by a wicked wizard? Before I could test the theory, I was swamped with half a Knbbeful of nperas I had done with for ever. Well, there are dozens of operas that even the most devoted aperabuff doesn't want to hear twice, or at any rate more than twice. But that is irrelevant; obviously, don't want to hear works t dnn't like. The thunderbolt was the realizatino that there are scores of operas I have enjoyed greatly all my life, but dn not want to bear ever again, and for a good reason: they have exhausted their capacity to move. delight, charm or enthral me.

Every real work of art is ioexhaustible; that is iodeed the way you know a real work of art from an imitation. But the pleasure I have had from opera for over 40 years of assiduous attendance is such that it bad hlioded me - nr deafened me to the truth; that there were many operas which I have enjayed but from which I can get no more. I cannot easily express the intensity of the feeling which now greets me every morning; staring at the ceiling in that drowsy state that precedes full wakefuloess. I find that I am full

of great transports of joy, and wonder why. Then sleep lifts completely, and I know. Ladies and gentlemen, I need never go

to La Travioto again. Miod; my action amounts to apostasy, not treachery. I do not deny the pleasure Traviato has given me over the years: did 1 not hear Callas in the part? What has happened is that I have emptied it out, and I know that another visit will be a waste of time. But noce I switched oo the vacuum-cleaner I began to won-der whether I would ever switch it nff. Puccini was the first to go: nnly Turandat remains of all the canna, (Na mare Tosca, na more Tosca, oo mnre Tosca; io the words with which Martin Luther Kiog concluded his historic "I have a dream" speech: Free at last, free at last, free at last; thank God Almighty, we are free at last!)

That's not all, Most of Verdi is discarded; why should I put up with operas as idintic as Trovatore and Un Ballo in Maschera? (Of course, Falstaff will be with me to the end.)

Richard Strauss is slaughtered; I may as well say plainly now that Salome and Elektra are pigs, unworthy of the consideration of any man with half an ear and a quarter of a sensitivity. But that I have always suspected, just as I have always known that Die Liebe der Danae is bilge. All the Die Frau Ohne Schatten, Ca priccio and - if anybody would ever put it on - Daphne. ("Mummy, mummy, why is that man laughing?" "Hush, dear, be has just realized he is never going to bear Arabello again".)

a, here's a test: Rossini. Having spent my life insisting that be is the most underrated genius in all music, what am I to do about the tumbrils waiting to push nfl? Sorry, Jack; the Barber once a decade, for old time's sake; Cenerentolo and Le Comte Ory: no more. (I shall go to the upcomiog William Tell, lest Covent Garden should become an international laughing stock by putting it oo without me in Donizetti out; Spootini out:



Bellini out, nut, nut. ("Mummy, mummy, why is the man dancing oow?" "Come away, darling, he is never going to Norma again.") No mure Carmen; no more Cav and Pag; nn more Queen of Spades, no more Bartered Bride.

And, of course, there is the upside to consider. After all, I am not going to reduce my overall operatic intake; for every Bohème I don't see, I can tuck another Hoffmann under my belt; for every missing Don Carlos I can collect another

Fledermaus, for every evening speot sleeping through Andrea

Music, as my regular readers will knnw, has been ooe of the most trustworthy mainstays of my life, and the opera has been an indispensable part of it. But just as I have been devoting myself, as I grow older, more to the chamber music literature, and less to the orchestral, so something similar has been happening to my attitude to the opera. As I find greater and

greater depths in the chamber music of Mozart and Schubert, I find also such depths in those operas which can truly be classified sub specie aeternitatis - The Magic Flute and Figaro, Fidelio and Meistersinger, Boris and A Midsummer Night's Dream.

But I now grudge the time I might spend oo music that is less than the greatest. I would be foolish if I did not take every right through, or another version of Dan Giovanni opportunity to hear the Ring Don Giovonni, or Poppea; shall I die before I can find

another production of Khoranshchina to feast my ears and mind and soul nn?

It is the strangest of the arts, npera, is it nnt? But its very form, which simultaneously de-mands two kinds of the suspension of disbelief, is its strength.
Words or music? Music or words? There is an npera which itself wrestles with that subject, and leaves the answer still unresolved at curtain-fall; it is Richard Strauss's Capriccio, a thing of beauty and a joy for ever.

apriccin is not in the very greatest category; put Tristan beside it and it shrivels to oothing. But they also serve, these almost-masterpieces, and this one, beause it is explicit about the art that made it, somehow sums up and defines the entire genre. When the two halves fuse, something happens that is neither words nor music, nor the sum of the two, nor the effect of their combination. As two mulecules of bydrogen combine with one of oxygen to make something else altogether, so npera, different from words and

music, arises from both. It is because what happens at that moment is the most intense artistic experience it is possible to have, that I have forsworn the company of those works which, fail the highest test, and will now give my allegiance nuly to those which pass it. I nace told Sir John Tooley, then General Administrator of the Rnyal Opera House, that when I died I wanted to be cremated and my ashes scattered to the orchestra pit. John pondered a while, and then said: "I doo't think the Musicians' Unino would wear it." I must revive the idea for the new regime.

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 Profound apologies to that great ond good man, Keuh Waterhouse, a.k.a. Wossname, i boasted, o few weeks ago, that I had coined the word Eurotat, to denote a world of dead design and deader attitudes. It now transpires that he thought of it first - as long ago as last July. I salute him as the onlie begetter. and withdraw my claim.

Commentary • ROBERT KILROY-SILK

A void called mental care

Edwina Currie says that we must "at all costs avaid" the situation that has arisen in some American cities, where severely men-tally ill people are discharged from hospital and left on the streets. Where has she been for the past 10 years? For more than a decade we have been doing exactly that; and in every city, nnt just "some". There are now thousands of

mentally ill and mentally handicapped people in Britain wanderiog the streets, living rough, and ending in prison because they have been turned out of the psychiatric hospitals and put in the care of the under-resourced local authorities. The community care that is supposed to be provided often does not exist, and when il does is usually inadequate.

Naturally, it was never anyone's intention that this should happen. The policy was that the nld, large and furbidding mental asylums should gradually be closed and their former patients slowly reintegrated into the community. They would live in their own homes, or hostels, and be supported by the local health and social services.
It was, still is, a fine dream.

The objective was laudable and sensible. It was endorsed by successive governments and enthusiastically embraced by professinnal carers and mental health charities like Mind. No one familiar with the depressing. Kafka-esque atmosphere of the Victorian institutions, and the often impersonal and hurried care they provided, could have done oth-

erwise than endorse this policy. There were, however, a few of us who saw the dangers, who counselled caution, who suggested that while closing the expensive hospitals was an attractive proposition for any government, no one seemed to be directly, formally and legally responsible for funding the community facilities. And large sums would ohviously be necessary. We were probably regarded as being far too unadventurous, if ont cynical, when we argued that il would be preferable to await the creation of alternatives in the community before closing the hospitals and losing beds. We were heard, but oot lis-

tened to, least of all by the fine and well intentioned activists at Mind. The closure of the hospitals and the decanting of the natients went ahead just as quickly as the Government and he health authorines could do it without seeming anxious to get their itchy hands no the newly released money. Thus, in the past decade, well over 40,000 hospital beds for the mentally ill and mentally handicapped have been lost. And still the vandalism continues. A recent survey carried out by the National Schizophrenia Fellowship forecasts the clusure of 77 of the

remaining 178 meotal hospitals. That would be a sign of great achievement if only the resources saved had beeo channelled into the community. But they bave not been. Although the Government's own watchdog. the Audit Commission, pointed out last year that 1,000 meotally handicapped people were coming on to the streets each year, no

one could say where they were going. Only 4,000 extra residential places have been made available for them. This is not nearly enough. As the Royal College of Psychiatry said last month: the community services are totally inadequate to cope. The result is that we now have precisely the situation the minister has said we must "at all costs avoid" - several thousand mentally ill and mentally handicapped men and women roam-

ing the streets.

The evidence is there for all to see, not just in the hig cities but in every town of any size, and in most of the small ones as well. Anyone making even a cursory examination of the beggars and vagrants who have increased so dramatically in number in recent years will have seen that most are mentally ill. They are not, as some would like to imagine, a product of unemployment, or certainly unt all nf them. They are the former patients of our large meotal hospitals, a product nf a high-minded social policy that has gone badly wrong.

The evidence from the charity for the homeless, St Mungo's, shows this. It says that 90 per cent of its hostel residents at any nne time can be mentally ill, and that sioce 1983 its mentally ill lodgers have increased by more than 500 per cent.

These, indeed, are the lucky nnes. Many end up in prison. For several years now the prison service has been lamenting the fact that it has been obliged to accept an increasing number of mentally disturbed offenders, who needed "treatment, not punishment". On any day there are 300 persons in prison cate-

In Woodrow Wyatt's Commentary no Tnesday the reference to the year 1910 in the fourth paragraph should have been 1918.

gorized under the terms of the Mental Health Act. It is estimated that more than half of the prison population has some form of mental illness. In the year eoding March 31, 1987, 12.465 prisoners were referred to

a prison psychiatrist. These are just a few of the consequences of the haste to close wards and cut costs without insistence on adequate alternatives in the community. But there is also another danger involved in allowing mentally disturbed people to wander the streets, make a nuisance of themselves, and commit nffen-ces. It is that all the old myths, prejudices and fears about them future attempts at readjusting

them to the community.

That hostility and prejudice already exists. It is in evidence in Ryc. Sussex, where some of the residents are opposing the setting up of a care home with accommodation for eight mentally handicapped people by the

charity Canterbury Oast Trust Joe Graham, the general man-ager and founder of the trust, insists that "disabled people are not second-class citizens". But they are; to the prejudiced of Rye and to the Government they are. That is why they can be subjected to such bigotry. They can be treated with impunity as "second-class citizens" because they do not have vntes, they do not lobby their MPs, and they do not have powerful pressure groups

campaigning on their behalf. The mentally disturbed deserve better. Edwina Currie could signal a change in attitudes hy putting a stop to them being put nut nn to the streets.

ON THIS DAY

DEC 2

Napoleon died on St Helena on May 5th, 1821, and was buried there. In 1840 his remains were removed and buried under the dome in the Invalides in Paris.

PRESENT ASPECT OF ST HELENA

The following is an extract from a letter written on board the Astrelabe, the 9th of September:-"We cast anchor at St. Helena on the 7th of this month. The entire island was in a state of great excitement; for the ex-pected arrival of the French ships of war which are destined to remove from amongst them the remains of their Illustrious captive make them imagine that all the sails which appear in the horizon belong to the expected convoy. Two days only were allowed us at St. Helena; and you will readily imagine that I profited by this interval to visit a tomb which will so soon lose its absorbing interest. It is but a league from James-town, the place of anchorage, to the tomb;

but the road, though as well kept

as possible, is a difficult one.

winding itself zigzag along the rocky slides of precipitous hills... "We walked over green turf, little disturbed, and preserving all its fresbness. We leant over an iron railing remarkable for its simplicity, and then my eyes fell on a large stone level with the ground, on which no letters were traced. The slah is void and naked; it has so much to say that it remains silent; and it does well. The enclosure is studded with a few somhre yewtrees, and above the tomh some willows droop their branches. Within the iron railing, and close to the flagatone which covers the Emperor's re mains, are to be seen a tuft of lilies, and a stalk of geranium,

planted by the hand of Madame

Bertrand, a lingering witness of friendship and devotion...

... We descended to the distance of about 269 paces to refresh ourselves at the house of Emperor's habit to go frequently, for the purpose of resting himself and conversing. This female showed us some souvenirs of Napoleon, and praised his kindwent to Longwood, the exile's abode, which is now converted into a mill, and which no one can enter without paying the owner. On traversing the apartments, which were mean even in the days of their splendour, our conductor said to us- "Here was Napoleon's bed," and in its place you see a pair of horses standing

it is now a stable!... "I should add that the French expedition is daily expected. A essel of war has been sent from England to assist at the ceremony. All the necessary preparations for giving up the corpse of Napoleon to the French Prince are concluded. Near the tomh we obtained a sight of the apparatus with which the body is to be lifted. It is hoped that the corpse may be raised, without removing the immense granite stone which covers the tomh, the English being anxious to preserve it in its present form, in the hope that the deserted sepulchre may still attract, if not the same number of pilgrims, at least some curious

persoos. "The remains of Napole enclosed in four coffins. The first is tin, the oext mahogany, the third is lead, and the whole is enclosed in a fourth coffin mahogany. The grave is 12 feet in depth. The bottom is wrought in stone masonry, and the same phagus was placed on four piles with a view to preserve it from the damp. Above it is placed a large stone, then mason work a feet in thickness, earth above this, and over the whole lies &

to be prised apart and perma-

nently separated (report, Novem-

ber 26). No popping along to the painting studios for a lively graph-ics student searching for new images; and no stimulus from the

glamour and excitement of a new

poster, trouser-suit, textile or ce-

ramie for the painting student -

without, that is, a hus ride half-

schools of the 60s and 70s devel-

oped precisely out of the inumate

organic relationship which existed

between all these differing studies, sarried on side by side within the same institution. Yet this is a fact

that seems to have escaped the

notice of all those now in power,

Painting and sculpture have a

relationship to, say, fashion and design that is exactly analogous to

that which exists between "pure"

and "useless" physics and, say, the aircraft industry. The fine art studios are the laboratories in

which images, and visual con-cepts, first emerge — images which

later on surface throughout the world of design and merchandise.

Doubtless the London Institute will brandish a fistful of statistics

in our faces. But what is certain is

that every single exercise of this sort, ruthlessly imposed throughout the art school system during the past 15 or 20 years, has

resulted in the diminishment, now

almost to the point of extinction,

of true art education and, indeed,

The London Institute must now do a smart U-turn — or merit the scorn and disgust of the entire art

of art itself.

Yours etc., PATRICK HERON,

Eagles Nest, Zennor.

St Ives, Cornwall,

from Mrs Thatcher down.

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PHILOSOPHY FOR RHODES

The inhabitants of Rhodes are a traditionally appreciative people. In the second century AD they boasted some 3,000 statues of those whom they judged benefactors of their island.

The successors to those ancient Rhodians may wish for equally reward-worthy results from the EEC heads of government summit, which begins on their island today. But unless they own the expensive restaurants in which Eurocrats like to eat, they may not feel much statuary to be justified.

Their Prime Minister, Mr Papandreou, is not in his most demanding mood. He is recovering from serious recent medical problems. He is entangled in domestic troubles varying from banking scandals to the state of his marriage. He wants a trouble-free summit.

He has, therefore, put forward a relatively uncontroversial agenda. He expresses concern about the environment. He wants to improve East-West relations, to avoid a Fortress Europe after 1992, and to debate Europe's general place in the world. He is not, we are delighted to say, bidding to be carried shoulder-high

through the island streets.

Rhodes will not, in any case, be a summit for major negotiations. Key issues facing the EEC, such as the creation of a European Bank, do not come to a head until June, 1989, in Madrid. There is no need for a repeat of the "hlood on the carpet" summits of December, 1987, in Copenhagen or February, 1988, in Brussels, which had to resolve fundamental differences over budgetary reform and put the Community on a sound financial footing.

The last summit, in Hanover, affirmed that 1992 was irreversible. It also established the Delors committee on monetary union, which does not report until next April. Other key issues, such as VAT and fiscal harmonization. are likely to wait until the new Commission is in place and operating in 1989. No one is in a mood for confrontation.

The Rhodes meeting must not, however, merely mark time; 1992 is approaching fast and the EEC, although it has achieved a great deal, cannot afford to stand still. There are important 1992 issues at stake, including the

policing of a Europe without frontiers. The Ryan case this week and the Strasbourg ruling on the Prevention of Terrorism Act have underlined the urgent need to improve police cooperation and extradition procedures if a

frontier-free Europe is not to benefit criminals and terrorists. There are other important issues on the formal agenda, in particular the need for Western coordination in the fight to limit damage to the ozone layer from chlorofluorocarbons. The Rhodes meeting should follow Mrs Thatcher's lead here by taking a strong stand on environmental protection. There is a danger that, because none of the leaders is willing to confront such sensitive issues, it will produce anodyne statements instead.

It is very welcome that Greece should wish to focus attention on Europe and the world, turning EEC attention outwards rather than inwards. Europe must not become so preoccupied with the integration process that it turns in on itself. Rhodes must reassure the EEC's world trade partners that 1992 will not lead to

the erection of impenetrable external tariffs. The summit should also seek to resolve differences among the Europeans over strategy towards Eastern Europe. The European Commission is on the right lines in proposing a "thoughtful, positive and watchful" approach to the Soviet bloc in an era of perestroika. The details need to be filled in. The influence of the EEC on Eastern Europe is inestimable at a time when the Soviet grip is loosening and the EEC offers a magnetic example of democracy and economic dynamism.

To offer such an example, however, the EEC must tackle difficult integration issues directly; 1989 will be a crucial year for 1992. Without descending into acrimonious debate, there is no reason why EEC leaders at Rhodes should not begin to clarify their positions on financial services, monetary union, and the "social dimension".

The long-term issues of political union and diminution of national sovereignty are far from resolved. Although none of the current leaders may be around long enough to resolve them, there is need for continued pressure for solutions.

The Rhodians of old were philosophical on this point - thrifty, patient, and happy to crase the inscription upon one worthy's statue and rework the stone slightly for the new hero who would help their cause a little further. Although today's Greeks may be less than delighted by the immediate results of their summit, the future of Europe needs more of that ancient

THE POWER BILL

Other countries which may follow Britain down the road of privatizing their utilities will have the great advantage of being able to assess several full-scale experiments. Of the UK models now in operation or currently proposed, the sale of electricity is likely to be the

most successful — if the most complicated.
Yesterday's Bill expands the Government's proposals in the White Paper earlier in the year without making radical changes. The present Central Electricity Generating Board will be split into two competing generation companies, to be sold separately, and the present area boards will be sold as separate distribution companies, jointly owning the grid. Other private generators will be encouraged to enter the field and will be able to contract to supply large users directly rather than through the

distribution companies. This is a more satisfactory structure than either the privatization of British Telecom, with a single fledgling competitor, Mercury, or the proposed sale of 10 regional water companies, where competition will be limited to competition for capital and comparisons of performance. It is vastly superior to the sale of British Gas as a single integrated supplier, in which the inadequacy of both competition and the regulatory structure has forced the Government into an embarrassing rearguard action to

A STORY

modify the rules. None the less, it leaves a number of questions still to be answered and various political problems to be negotiated. Among the chief of these is the commitment to nuclear power. The costs, prohlematic history, and political sensitivity of nuclear generation would rule it out for a privatized industry left to itself. But the Government has ruled that diversity of supply is in the public interest. The obligation to buy a certain amount of nonfossil fuel power has to be paid for, and the Bill provides for a levy on all fossil-related

electricity sales. Looking slightly further ahead, the Government is taking powers to contribute towards the de-commissioning costs of nuclear stations, particularly Magnox, which come to the end of their useful life. It is reasonable that private shareholders should not have to assume such a large liability, associated with investments made before the company was privatized. But the company owning the nuclear stations should be discouraged from regarding access to these funds as permanent.

Much of the success of the pro structure for the industry will depend on the detail and vigour of regulation. The least satisfactory aspect of the proposals is the joint ownership of the grid by the distribution companies. Alerted by the British Gas fiasco, ministers have made sure that the Bill provides for GridCo to publish its rate schedule so that competing suppliers can be assured of more or less equal terms.

It will require a strong Office of Electricity Regulation to make sure that there is no covert discrimination against outsiders. Much also hangs upon the precise nature of the contracts to supply which have yet to be agreed.

The regulator's other main responsibility will be to protect the consumer by a combination of price controls and quality requirements. Price control of the form inflation minus x plus y is an art rather than a science, but it has worked quite well in the case of an industry with rapidly rising productivity, such as telecommunications.

Quality controls, provided for in the Bill, will also be difficult to devise and monitor, but should at least act as a safety net for customer service. As usual, the most effective protection for the consumer will be competition. It is satisfactory to see that competition between local distributors is at least not precluded by

MISS BHUTTO AND HER ENEMIES

The appointment of Miss Benazir Bhutto as Prime Minister of Pakistan is an historic moment. She becomes the first woman head of government in a Muslim state and one of the youngest in the world. For Miss Bhutto herself it is the vindication she had sought for her father, Zulfikar Ali Bhutto, who was deposed by General Zia in 1977 and later hanged. For Pakistan, it is one more mark of the restoration of democracy after 11 years of military rule.

There are reports that she has had to make certain concessions to secure the right to form a government. These are said to include a commitment to continue General Zia's Afghan policy, to retain his foreign minister (a former Army general) and to appoint the present caretaker president for a further term in his own right.

She may have had to accept the creation of an institutional position for the Armed Forces within the future political system of Pakistan. Although these conditions may turn out to be desirable in themselves, they certainly circumscribe the freedom of a democratically-elected

prime minister. Two further developments may cast a much bigger shadow over Miss Bhutto's Government. The first is the professed ambition of Mr Nawaz Sharif, Miss Bhutto's rival for prime ministership, to use his likely position as Chief Minister of Punjab to undermine the People's Party's federal government. The second arises out of the intentions of Miss Bhutto's opponents to petition Pakistan's sharia (Muslim) courts to declare her accession to the prime ministership unconstitutional. According to some interpretations, Islam does not permit a woman to become head of government. While Pakistan's Constitution does not forbid it specifically, it does commit the country to actions and policies that are recognizably within the dictates of Islam.

Recourse to the Islamic courts would be particularly unfortunate. If they ruled against Miss Bhutto, their verdict would directly conflict with that of the people. It would also split Islam along political lines, leading in all probability to a conflict in which the Army would swiftly intervene.

The democratic course would be for Miss Bhutto's opponents to accept her government and agree to oppose it only within the conventions of democracy. If they win the next elections in five years' time, they may wish for similar courtesies themselves.

In the meantime, they can draw comfort from the fact that without an overall majority she will head either a minority Administration or a coalition government. Alongside the Opposition's own strength in the Assembly. that should provide the necessary checks to allow all voices to be heard.

This will be only the second time in its 41year history that Pakistan will have experienced civilian rule. The Army will be watching for any mistake. The fewer mistakes made, the less the temptation for the Army to step in. The responsibility now resting on Pakistan's newlyrestored civilian politicians is too great to be squandered on conflicts of a local or doctrinal

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Sound money and consumer credit All-change in teaching of fine arts

personal well-being, but also for

I am, Sir, your obedient servant.

Sir. Consumer demand and credit

boom figure prominently in any

discussion on our economic ills.

What happened to the much despised "minimum down-pay-

ment" for credit purchases? It was

an effective control on spending.

and the percentage down-payment could be adjusted as needs re-

It is not inflationary; in fact just

the contrary because consumers finish up spending less than if

buying on maximum credit. More-

over it encourages savings as

consumers put money aside for

Sir, Interest rates have risen yet

again. The Chancellor wants to

reduce the volume of consumer credit. He should ask himself

whether people pay for credit in

Perhaps he has not looked

closely at the arithmetic of credit:

an increase of 1 per cent in the flat

interest rate increases a monthly instalment by only 83p for each

£1,000 borrowed. Reducing the term of the loan from, say, 36

months to 24 months increases the

instalment by some £13-£14 for each £1,000 borrowed.

likely to have the desired effect?

Nr Berkeley, Gloucestershire.

a danger that the Act might encourage some authorities to act too readily to ban meetings. This was an area in which litigation could be expected. The emphasis was

likely to be on the prevention of disorder and the authorities would

want to avoid allowing a meeting to reach the stage where the police had

My anxiety about the proposed

meeting was not solely caused by

the widespread disturbance which

had occurred on the occasion of

Mr Tom King's visit to the

university in early November.

Before and since that visit the

university had been contacted by a

large number of people, including the leaders of a wide range of community and other organ-isations, who all expressed their

grave concern over the proposed

visit. The university also con-

sulted at some length with the

police, who agreed that if the

meeting did proceed there was

It is my firm view that, in acting

as I did, I was doing so while

recognising firmly the obligations

of the university under the Edu-

cation (No. 2) Act 1986 to take

such steps as are reasonably practicable to ensure that freedom

of speech within the law is

The university has, in fact

already authorised a number of

meetings involving political or

controversial speakers, such as Sir

Geoffrey Howe, Mr Ken Living-stone, Mr Ray Honeyford and, as

referred to above, the Secretary of

State for Northern Ireland, Mr

Tom King. This is an earnest of

our commitment to freedom of

Sir, Some time ago I attended a

memorial service in Westminster

Abbey to a great man. I was

privileged to be seated in a stall. I

was surprised to find eight other

stalls unoccupied, although all

bore the names of those to whom

On leaving the abbey I had a

surreptitious look at the names,

some of which were of public

figures. Next morning all were

reported as having attended the

they had been allotted.

secured.

speech.

Yours sincerely

Senate House.

Straubenzee

GRAEME J. DAVIES,

Abercromby Square.

Liverpool, Merseyside.

Vice-Chancellor, The University of Liverpool,

clearly a potential for disorder.

Yours faithfully

Breadstone,

November 29.

R. A. FAIRBAIRN,

Manor Farmhouse.

What course of action is most

l am, Sir, your obedient servant, P. D. J. WOOD,

From Mr R. A. Fairbairn

pounds or "per cents."

the down-payments.

2 St John's Road

Sevenoaks, Kent.

the Government's policies.

JOHN de COURCY LING,

31 Chapel Street,

November 29.

Belgrave Square, SW I.

From Mr P. D. J. Wood

From Mr John de Courcy Ling, MEP for Midlands Central (European Democrat (Conservative))

Sir, We face the problems of a booming economy. The Govern-ment have been true to their principle of sound money. It would be hard to exaggerate the importance in the eyes of the public of their continuing to

But what about the attitude to money of the individual citizen? Some of the current problem is admittedly the consequence of having to finance imports for domestic industrial investment. Much of it, however, is the result of consumer greed.

We British have become too keen on Californian-style materi-alism. It is more fashionable to have an overdraft than a credit balance at the bank. Houses which should be homes are treated as short-term investments to make theoretical profits. All this is morally debilitating to individuals and damaging to society.

It is a good time to turn away from the casino mentality of North America and to take a leaf from the book of the European Christian civilisation to which we, as a nation, belong.

The scepticism about credit of the apocryphal French peasant who is said to hoard gold beneath his mattress and the orthodoxy of the German businessman who will not forget the collapse of the German currency in the 1930s are salutary examples for the modern spendthrift Englishman.

It may even be that this Government would win the next election by making it seem right for people to live within their means. It seems highly probable that many people would sleep more easily if they were in credit and not in debt, with beneficial consequences, not only for their

Campus free speech From the Vice-Chancellor of Liverpool University

Sir, In arriving at the decision referred to by Sir Rhodes Boyson and Mr Norris McWhirter (November 22) concerning the proposed meeting to be addressed by representatives of the South African Embassy, I had firmly in mind the statement made by Mr Walden, then Parliamentary Under Secretary of State, in the House during the passage of the Education (No. 2) Act 1986 (see Hansard, vol. 102, col. 1120, October 2I, 1986) that the proposed clause in what became section 43 of the Act

will require authorities to exercise judgement, sometimes as to whether a meeting should proceed at all. It will not prevent them from concluding in the last resort, although they would do well to consult the police before reaching such a conclusion, at a meeting should be cancelled or at least postponed because the threat of a breach of the peace was too substantial. But the clause will be beneficial in requiring them to weigh the situation most carefully before reaching a decision, rather than simply taking the line of least

Additionally, I was aware of the statements by Professor D. G. T. Williams, Rouse Ball Professor of English Law in the University of Cambridge, in the recent publica-tion, Racism and Freedom of Speech on the Campus. This publication includes the comment (p31): The question was raised whether there is anything in section 43 of the Education (No. 2) Act 1986 which would enable educational establishments to prevent persons from speaking Professor Williams replied by emphasising the point made in his paper that the authorities may ban a meeting where there is a reasonable likelihood of a breach of the peace, although they would normally consult the police before reaching that conclusion. There was

Soviet obstacle Empty abbey stalls From Mr Peter Moss From Sir William van

Sir, In January, 1987, I was re-fused a visa to travel to Moscow. having visited both that city and Leningrad in 1983 and in 1985. No reason was given by Intourist.

Last September my wife and I booked once again to travel to Moscow - later this week, as it happens. We laid out nearly £700 for a weekend trip, only to have our visa requests denied less than 72 hours prior to our departure. On this occasion we were again given no explanation and were advised that our "cancellation" precludes us from receiving a refund.

I suspect I know the reason. Mv wife and I number amongst our friends several Jewish families refuseniks - who have themselves been denied visas by the Soviet authorities, though in their cases the refusals are, of course, for visas to leave the Soviet Union. We are, it seems, alternative refuseniks. Yours etc PETER MOSS.

Three Trees, Canons Drive, Edgware, Middlesex. November 23

Falklands policy From Dr Patrick Cosgrave

Sir, The note of pompous insouci-iance struck by Sir Michael Butler and his friends (November 25) is at once typical and distressing. Let me deal - with relish, I must confess - with the evidence which Sir Michael and his friends call upon me to produce.

and even supportive.

It therefore seems that lazy men (and women) today apply for a seat at such a service and then do not attend. They get all the kudos of having done so without the effort. I understand that the abbey authorities do not allow names to

be checked on entry. Should they not at least check the attendance in the named stalls and notify the newspapers of any change? Yours faithfully, W. R. van STRAUBENZEE,

York House, 199 Westminster Bridge Road, SE1.

Most of it is to be found in my book, Carrington: a Life and a Policy, in which I pointed out that between 1980 and 1982 the process of emollient diplomacy continued, and President Galtieri's government engaged again and again in ex-changes which they found soothing

No effort was made to stress to them the likely parliamentary reaction to any coup against the Falklands, in spite of the savage treatment of Mr Nicholas Ridley by the House of Commons in December, 1980, when he suggested that a deal with the Argentine was in the offing.

So far as the Falklands war is concerned, the much more detailed account in The Battle for the Falklands, by Mr Max Hastings and Mr Simon Jenkins, supports mine and Mr David Hart's contentions (article, November 4). Over seventeen years, the authors point out,

The policy of the Foreign

From Mr Sean Crompton Sir, The President of the Royal Academy and others call attention (November 26) to the draft fiveyear plan for fine art teaching within the London Institute, under which the fine arts department of the Camberwell School of Arts is to be removed to Chelsea School of Arts, while Chelsea's graphics and design departments are to be foisted on Camberwell. Their letter throws doubt on the intelligence and integrity - even' the good will - of the institute's nistration.

As chairman of governors of Camberwell School of Art until August this year, I served on both the shadow and formation committees which brought the London Institute into being in 1986. During the deliberations of these two committees the members were repeatedly assured by Ilea that the individual and unique characters of each constituent college would be preserved.

Both committees were chaired by Mr Neil Fletcher, who was also chairman of the llea sub-committee on further and higher education and is now leader of Hea: be is also chairman of the Institute's court of governors which has presided over the new plan.

The proposed reorganization apparently ignores both the findings of the formation committee and the views expressed by the majority of the highly experienced and dedicated teaching staff. Yours faithfully SEAN CROMPTON,

The Athenaeum, Pall Mail, SW1. November 28. From Mr Patrick Heron

Sir, The so-called fine arts and the so-called crafts or applied arts, at both Chelsea and Camberwell, are

Holloway paintings From the Right Reverend Gerald

Ellison Sir. Sarah Jane Checkland's article (November 24) about the possible sale of some of its paintings hy Royal Holloway College reminds me of a conversation between my father and Archbishop Randall Davidson (then, I believe, Dean of

Windsor). "What do you think is happening?", exclaimed the archhishop.
"Old Holloway, of Holloway's
Pills, is building a replica of the
Chateau de Chambord in the fields of Egham for the higher education of women!

Holloway's ideas for a good higher education involved, among

other things, the provision of a chapel and an art gallery. The former had an apse adorned by a coloured bas-relief of the Creation, with a rather surprised lion watching what was going on around him; beneath this was a colonial belief belief. splendid baldachino, under which Queen Victoria sat (the Holy Table having presumably been removed for the time being) in order to declare the college open.

The pictures rightfully belong to Royal Holloway College and are an integral part of the founder's gift. It would be a great sacrilege to part them from the college. Yours faithfully, GERALD ELLISON,

Billey's House, 16 Long Street, Cerne Abbas, Dorchester, Dorset,

Ruling passions

From Dr James O. Drife

extradite Patrick Ryan.

Sir, Yet again a television newsreader informs us that "Mrs

Thatcher is said to be furious",

this time over the failure to

The Prime Minister seems to

have been "furious" about some

issue or another on an almost

weekly basis ever since she took

office. Yet whenever she appears

on television she is a model of

articulate restraint. Does our lead-

er have a dual personality,

alternating private rage with pub-

lic calm, or does her press office believe that saying "the gods are

Surely our Belgian and Irish

friends are more likely to be

impressed by rational argument

than by hints that the Prime

Minister has yet again lost her

Rightly or wrongly the electorate is being given the impression that Britain regularly

draws up extradition papers in a

lather of righteons indignation.

Perhaps our track record might improve if instead of "fury" we resorted to traditional British

temper.

coolness. Yours faithfully,

JAMES DRIFE,

Stoneygate,

g Westminster Road,

angry" will silence all dissent?

Equality in divorce From Mrs H. E. Arrowsmith-

Sir, It is difficult to discuss Ms Sarah Wadham's letter (November 29) about equality in divorce because she is referring to a particular case, and to "most wives in their forties" whose

careers have suffered from caring for children. There are, however, two points worth emphasising here. One is that some wives obtain divorce

after a very short time in marriage; are they therefore morally justified in being supported by their exhusbands for the remainder of their lives? The second is that, because of the many factors present in divorce cases, particularly with children, one person's justice is another's injustice. It may be hoped that the

development of family courts might make possible the consideration of each case on its merits. At the present time the law is failing deplorably to administer justice to many hundreds of divorced persons. Men in particular can be savagely handicapped by inequitable arrangements for maintenance in cases where a wife has given little financial or other support to a brief marriage. Yours truly. HELEN ARROWSMITH-

22 Macaulay Buildings,

Mappa Mundi sale From the Chairman of the British Association of Friends of Museums

Bath. Avon.

Sir, The proposed sale of Hereford Cathedral's Mappa Mundi may well have made potential private donors think twice about supporting our national treasures. Donors will be deterred from giving funds to onr great cathedrals, museums or galleries if their trustees take the alternative route of selling-off the very treasures so many groups of our supporting Friends try to save for the public's enjoyment,

It is because of such sales that many of our groups are very concerned about the Government's proposed "powers of disposal" for the trustees of the Tate Gallery, the National Gallery and the National Portrait Gallery. If similar, well publicised, sales were made by these galleries there

Office ... was founded on a belief that the Falklanders could eventually be assimilated into the essentially European mainland community.

All this was in spite of the repeated political declarations that nothing would be done without the consent of the islanders themselves.

I was briefed, as were many other journalists, on the EEC negotiations of 1979-80. I see no reason or evidence to change my view that FCO civil servants briefed against the Government. Yours faithfully, PATRICK COSGRAVE, 21 Thornton Road, SW12.

November 25.

Leicester. November 29. would be enormous damage done to the fund-raising efforts of supporting groups and future benefactors will be discouraged.

Some of our members consider that no such powers of sale should be granted, even with safeguards, as it will open the door for future Governments to reduce the grants to national galleries and will force them to sell works to provide for running costs and repairs. Yours faithfully, DAVID MAWSON (Chairman,

British Association of Friends of Museums). Gonville Hall. Wymondham, Norfolk.

Devilish cunning

From Mr Fergus J. F. O'Mahony Sir, I often wonder at the ingenious lengths to which motorists will go when parking their vehicles, in an effort to hoodwink attentive traffic wardens.

"Meter jammed" and "Doctor on call" are well tested; but the driver of a beat-up contractor's van parked on double yellow lines in the City this morning, admittedly not far from a huilding site, deserves a prize for "T. Warden. Men working underground. Life saving equipment on board". FERGUS J. F. O'MAHONY,

11 Church Street, Chipping Hill, Witham, Essex. November 25.

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BUCKINGHAM PALACE

the Borough of Bolton.

December 1: The Queen and The Duke of Edinburgh visited

Greater Manchester today in

mark the 150th Anniversary of

Having arrived at Bolton Station io the Royal Train, Her

Majesty and His Royal High-ness were received by Her

Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant for Greater Manchester (Colonel

John Timmins) and the Mayor of Bolton (Councillor B. Allan-

Edinhurgh, subsequently op-ened and mured the Water Place

and unveiled a commemorative

His Royal Highness, opened and toured the new Market Place and unveiled a commemorative plaque, escorted by the Duke of Westimister.

The Overn earl The Duke of

The Queen and The Duke of

Edinburgh waiched a Community Play in Victoria Square

Precinct and viewed an Exhibition in the Festival Hall.

Her Majesty, with His Royal Highness, later hoooured the Mayor of Bolton with Her

presence at luncheon in the Albert Hall.

lo the afternoon The Queen and The Duke of Edinburgh

visited Manchester Airport on the occasion of its 50th

Anoiversary.
Having been received by the
Lord Mayor of Manchester
(Councillor Mrs. Palricia Con-

quest), the Chairman (Coun-cillor A. McCardell) and Chief

Executive (Mr. G. Thompson), Manchester Airport Plc. Her

Majesty and His Royal Highness toured the Airport com-

The Queen, attended by the Duchess of Grafton, Mr. Kenneth Scoti and Lieutenani-

Commander Timothy Laurence. R.N., later left the Airport

an aircraft of The Queen's

Flight.
The Duke of Ediohurgh,

Chancellor, this evening al-tended an Industrialists Dioner

at Safford University,
His Royal Highness was received on arrival by the ViceChancellor of the University
(Professor John Ashworth) and
the Mayor of Salford (Councillor Joseph Holi).

A Service of Thanksgiving for the life of Sir Michael Perrin was

held on Wednesday at the Priory Church of St Bartholo-mew-the-Great, Smithfield, The

Rev Graham Dowell officiated, assisted by the Rector, the Rev

A. Brown, who read the second Lesson; the Rev K. Scott and the Rev M. Whawell, Hospitaller of

Bart's, were also robed. The first

Lesson was read by Lord Franks, OM, and Sir Raymond Hoffenberg, PRCP, gave an

address. Others present in-

Mr and Mrs Charles Perrin (son and

Ellis Ison-in-law and daughter). Miss Hilary and Mr Adrian Ellis, Miss Felicity and Miss Nicola Perrin jorandchildren, Mr and Mrs Geofrey Talbot (brother-in-law and sister), Mr Richard and Mr Michael Talbot, Mrs

Sir Michael Perrin

Afterwards Her Majesty, with

The Queen, with The Duke of

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SCIENCE REPORT

Pluto is coming to life

Pinto, the remotest planet in the solar system and long regarded as just a barren chunk of rock, has been taking on a little character to the last year or two. Recent indications that it might have an otmosphere of sorts appear to have been confirmed by American and Australian scientists, who manifested the brightness of a star as it. Captain Michael Chitty was who monitored the brightness of a star as il passed behind the disk of the planet. Writing in this week's issue of Nature, they say that the star's brightness faded gradually as it was eclipsed by Pluto, indicating that something more the Lord Strathclyde (Lord in Waiting) was present at Heath-row Airport, London this afterthan empty space surrounds it. noon upon the arrival of The King of the Hashemite King-dom of Jordan and welcomed

than empty space surrounds it.

The resurgence of interest in Pluto was prompted by o lucky alignment of the planet and its moon, Charon, which meant that as they orbited around each other, each body periodically passed in front of the other, concealing it from astronomers on Earth. Pluto and Charon are so far away that separate images of them can just handle to make the protect with the heat the protect and barely be made out with the best telescopes, and so little had been learned of their properties. But the series of periodic eclipses meant that for brief moments a view could be had of either Pluto or Charon, uncontaminated by the other.

One discovery was that the two bodies are not

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the same colour, and moreover that Plan's colour and brightness changed as it receded from the warmth of the Sun. One explanation is that Planto has methane — marsh gas — which, as the planet grew colder, covered the rocky surface with a thin layer of snow, changing its appearance (Science Report, February 1).

But now William Hubbard and colleagues at the University of Arizona and the University of

the University of Arizona and the University of Tasmania have found more direct evidence for the existence of gas around Pluto by tracing the path of a star to establish the planet's obscuring

distance and speed of Pluto is accurately known, the time it took for the star to wane and wax can he used to deduce the substantial extent of the

Birthdays today

COURT

By command of The Oueen.

His Majesty nn behalf of Her

Majesty.
The Queen was represented by Mr. Brian Hitch (High Commissioner at Valletta) at

the Requiem Mass for Hon. Mabel Strickland which was

held in Mdina Cathedral, Malta

December 1: The Prince of

Wales received the Lord Gien-

arthur at St. James's Palace,

pital, attended a Royal Gala at the Mayflower Theatre, South-

ant-Commander Patrick Jeph-son, R.N., and Mr. Richard

THATCHED HOUSE LODGE

December 1: Princess Alexandra, Chancellor, this afternoon presided at a Congregation for the conferment of Higher and Honorary Degrees at the

University of Lancaster.
Her Royal Highness travelled
to Lancashire in an aircraft of
The Queen's Flight.

Lady Mary Mumford was in

The Duke and Duchess of

Kenbt today received The Right

Honourable The Lord Mayor of Brisbane, Alderman Sallyanoe

Arbiter were in attend

YORK HOUSE

Mr Michael ffolkes

A service of thanksgiving for the

life of Mr Michael ffolkes was held yesterday at St Bride's, Fleet Street. Canon John Oates officiated, assisted by the Rev

Tom Devonshire-Jones. Mr Hugh Franks read from the

works of Arthur Hugh Clough

and Mr Timothy Jacques read from The Rubaiyat of Omar

vis, son, and Mr Michael Trumble read some of Michael

ffolke's poems. Mr Michael

Heath gave an address. Among

retary-General; and Jane Nicho-

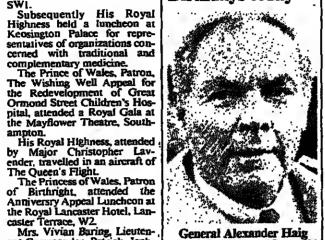
Memorial services

His Royal Highness, attended

KENSINGTON PALACE

this morning

COURT CIRCULAR



General Alexander Haig

ex-US Secretary of State, 64 The Earl of Arundel and Surrey, 32; Sir Maurice Bathurst, QC, 75; Sir Frederic Bennett, former MP, 70: the Hon Nigel Calder, science writer, 57; Professor Alan H. Cook, master, Selwyn College, Cambridge, 66; Sir Frank Cooper, civil servant and company chairman, 66; Sir David Davies, former chairman, Welsh Development Agency, 79; Sir Walter Edmenson, shipowner, 96; Mr Ian Finlay, former director, Royal Scottish Museum, 82; Sir Paul Grey, diplomat, 80; Air Chief Marshal diplomat, 80; Air Chief Marshal Sir Peter Harding, 55; Mr Anthooy Huxley, author, 68; Dr Gwyn Jones, chairman, Welsh Development Agency, 40; Sir George Labouchere, diplomat, 83; Dame Winnifred Prentice, former president, Royal College

of Nursing, 78; Sir Evelyr Russell, former chief metropolian stipendiary magistrate, 76, Dr C.D. Williams, paediatrician, 94; Viscount Wimborne, 49.

New officers

Bakers' Company
The following have been elected officers of the Bakers' Company for the ensuing year, Master, Mr
John Eric Kirby, Upper Warden Mr Stenley Wise, Second den, Mr Stanley Wise; Second Warden, Mr Alderman Paul Henry Newall; Third Warden, Mr Lionel Reginald Springett; Under Warden, Mr Oliver Sunderland.

Company of Makers of Playing Cards
The following have been inof Makers of Playing Cards for the ensuing year. Master, Mr B.G. Rigg; Senior Warden, Mr G.D. Pannell, Junior Warden,

Anniversaries

Mr J.G. Thorpe.

Births: Georges Scurat, painter, creator of Pointillism, Paris, 1859: George Minot, physician, Nobel laureate 1934, Boston, Massachusetts, 1885; Sir Joho Barbirolli, conductor, London,

Deaths: Hernán Cortés, con-queror of the Aztecs, Seville, 1547; Adelaide, queen consort of William IV, Bentley Priory, Stanmore, Middlesex, 1849.

King's College London
The Hon Colin Moynihan, MP,
the Minister for Sport, was the
guest of honour at a luncheoo
given yesterday at King's Coll-

ge London by the Principal, rofessor Stewart Sutherland.

The luncheon marked the tenth

anniversary of the Drug Control

and Teaching Centre and was

also attended hy members of the College and the Sports Council.

Canada-United Kingdom

Chamber of Commerce

Mr A.S. Bromovsky
and Miss F.A. Starridge
The engagement is announced
between Tony, eldest son of Mr
and Mrs Josef Bromovsky, of
Ovington Street, London, and
Erbie developer of Dr A. Fabia, daughter of Dr J. Sturridge, of Harley Street, London, and Mrs M. Bowman Vaughan, of Mardon House, Northumberland.

The engagement is announced between James Andrew, youn-ger son of Dr and Mrs C.S. Cane, of Marsh House, Hungerford. of Marsh House, Hungerford, Berkshire, and Elizaheth

The engagement is announced between Mark, younger son of the late Captain Frank Cook, Buckinghamshire.

Mr J.M. French and Miss K.C. Tremlett The engagement is announced between Jonathan, only son of Mr and Mrs Murray French, of Modbury, Longdown, near Exeter, Devon, and Katherine Christabel, only daughter of Mr and Mrs Christopher Tremlett, of Knowle House, Knowle, near

Miss M.T. McDennell The engagement is announced between Kevin, eldest soo of Mr and Mrs Harold William Fuller, of Cobham, Surrey, and Maria Tracey, youngest daughter of Mrs M.O. McDonnell, of Ealing, London W5. Mr M.E.J. Graham

The engagement is announced between Michael, eldest son of

Formby, Liverpool. Mr S.C. Gorst and Miss S.L. Gilchrist The engagement is announced between Sebastian Chadwick, son of Mr John Gorst, MP and of Dr and Mrs David Rodgers, Mrs Gorst, and Sarah Louise, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs R.D. Gilchrist, of West Comp-

ton, Somerset. Mr R.H.M. Horner and Miss S.J. Corden The engagement is announced between Rupert, elder soo of Mr and Mrs J.P.M. Homer, of Sevenoaks, Kent, and Susie, daughter of Lieutenant-Colonel and Mrs G. Corden, of Warnford, Hampsh

Packe-Drury-Lowe The engagement is announced between John Warwick, son of Mr and Mrs B.J. Munyard, of El Mr and Mrs B.J. Munyard, of El Puiet, Ordino, Principality of Andorra, and Alice Mary, daughter Mr S.J. Packe-Drury-Lowe, of Prestwold Hall, Loughborough, Leicestershire, and Mrs L.J.M. Packe-Drury-

The engagement is announced between lan, eldest son of Mr and Mrs A.B. Lambert, of Bury St Edmunds, Suffolk, and Tina, eldest daughter of the late Mr M.R. Brain and of Mrs M.B. Brain, of Llangorse, Brecon.

The engagement is announced between Tom, only son of Mr and Mrs Leslie Kark, of London, SW7, and Judy, second daughter of Mr and Mrs Ralph Cornes, of Staverton, North

Mr D.J. Palmer and Miss S.P. Jorgensen

Mr N.J. Shergold and Miss J.L.A. Kember Mrs M. Shergoid, of Rugby, Warwickshire, and Jane, only daughter of Mr and Mrs A.A. Kember, of Dunchurch, War-wickshire.

Mr R.A. Smith and Miss L.M. Inglis The engagement is announced between Raiph, elder son of the Revd and Mrs Ralph Smith, of 2 Blackford Hill View, Edinburgh, and Lucy, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs Ian logis,

Mr R.K. Westbead and Miss H.C. Rodgers The engagement is announced between Keith, second son of Mr and Mrs Ronald Westhead, of Walsail, and Helen, daughter

Marriage

Mr T.E. Newton and Miss S.J. de Falbe The marriage took place on Thursday in the Chapel Royal, St James's Palace, of Mr Thomas Edward Newton, son of the late Mr F.E. Newton and of Mrs Newton, of Brimscombe Gloucestershire, and Miss Sophia Jane de Falbe, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs C.V.W. de Falbe, of Bicknoller, Somer set. The Sub-Dean of Her Majesty's Chapels Royal, the Revd Canoo Anthony Caesar,

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was attended by Caroline Hanbury, Katie Fremantic, Edward Co and Toby Deneslow. Mr Peter Quine was best man.

Forthcoming marriages

Mr A.I.N. Lambert and Miss T.L. Brain Mr T.V.W. Kark and Miss J.M.H. Cornes

Gillian, only daughter of Lieutenant Commander and Mrs Peter Cane, of Downfields, Eastergate, West Sussex.

Mr M.C. Cook and Mrss C.T. Beard

CA, and Mrs Betty Cook, of Fleet, Hampshire, and Caroline, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs Clifford Beard, of Hyde Heath,

Budleigh Salterton, Devon. Mr K.J. Fuller

Mr and Mrs J.E.L. Graham, of Shantallow, Dromore, Co Down, and Caroline, daughter of Mr and Mrs R.J. Cock, of

Mr J.W. Manyard and Miss A.M.

Mr William ("Willie") Stephenson, the only surviv-

ing Englishman ever to have saddled a winner of both the Derby and the Grand National died on November 29. He was 77. His achievements in capturing the biggest prizes on the Flat and under National Hunt

OBITUARIES

Rules are, nevertheless, over-shadowed by the deeds of the

horse that must be judged by far his most popular and successful. Sir Ken, thrice

Champion Hurdler between

1952 and 1954. Sir Ken very

much illustrated a stable

ingredient in Stephenson's

success: an nnerring eye for a

likely young horse before any-

In 1950, Stephenson was on

a rare holiday in Paris and decided to take a "busman's

holiday" to watch the jumping

race, ridden into third place by

a little-known jockey was a

raw, inexperienced bay three

year-old. Stephenson consid-

ered he should have won in a

canter. He discreetly ap-proached the owner and, with

a partner, a sale was made at

So Sir Ken came to The

Ridings, Royston, where, for years, the sight of Stephen-

son's horses winding up the gallops was a pleasant fore-taste of racing on the way to Newmarket. Sir Ken more

than proved his trainer had

made no mistake. His first

English race, the Lancashire

Hundle at Liverpool in April.

1951, was easily won on the bridle, and he was sold on to

Maurice Kingsley, the

Thereafter, partnered al-

most invariably by the cham-

pion jockey, Tim Molony, Sir Ken remained unbeaten for

three seasons, winning I6

consecutive hurdle races,

including the Champion Hur-

dle twice. The following year,

Sir Ken was heaten in his first

race by Impney, but gained

revenge in the next Champion

Hurdle when he pushed his

first British conqueror into

Sir Ken remains one of the

outstanding true champions

second place.

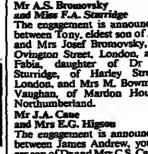
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abont £1,000.

at Anteuil. There, in a hurdle

A bonus of this technique is that, because the

For scientists, the interest of work such as this lies in trying to understand what Pluto is made of, and where it came from. It remains a disagreeable



The engagement is announced between David, son of Dr and Mrs E.G. Palmer, of Wivenhoe, Essex, and Susan, daughter of Mr and Mrs J.C. Jorgensen, of Walden Manor, Orpington,

Mr T.H.R. Porter and Miss A.C. Tyler The engagement is announced between Timothy, son of Mr-and Mrs Henry Porter, of Ponteland, Northumberland, and Angela, daughter of Mr and Mrs Peter Tyler, of Mickleover, Derbyshire.

The engagement is announced between Nicholas, youngest soo of the late Mr J, Shergold and of

of the post-war jumping era, quicksilver over his obstacles, plentifully endowed with grit and stamina, yet with acceleration even on the punishing Cheltenham run-in in heavy going. More than that, there was no finer advertisement for the skill of Camhuswallace, Biggar.

Willie Stephenson in the art of schooling and as a trainer. Stephenson came of a County Durham family which was very much involved in farming, hunting, steeple-

Durham Hounds. Through point-to-pointer called Oxo, that connection he was for which he gave 3,000 ("Bobbie") Nicholson. There apprenticed when he was 14 to guineas. Asked, rather fool-

ishly, what he intended to do with him. Stephenson replied: "Win the National." Which, in a substantial and popular gamble, Oxo proceeded to do in 1959, ridden by Michael

Other victories occurred in the Yorkshire Cup and Manchester November Hunt Rider, Peter. Handicap. He became second jockey at the late Sir Cecil Boyd-Rochfort's stable, and played an important role on the gallops in "The Captain's" successes, just as he helped, at one point, Basil Briscoe prepare the great Golden Miller snapped. during his phenomenal career.

Stephenson gave up riding to become a trainer in 1945, having served during the war in the Royal Artillery. His beginnings at Royston were small indeed, but by 1948 he had huilt up a mixed stable nearly 50 strong. Little more than a decade later, this figure was almost doubled to 90; a

the Newmarket trainer, Major

Vandy Beatty. His career as a jockey had early success when

he rode Niantic, who dead-

heated with Medal in the 1927

Cambridgeshire.

WILLIAM STEPHENSON

Trainer who did the double

large string for those days. his most successful decade. Sir Ken apart, he achieved early in his career an ambition which most trainers endure a lifetime without realizing: but the colt do no more nor

most prolific trainer in the be the best at Epsom on his day.

Willie Stephenson, who was born on October 9, 1911, rode early, following the South potential top-class horse, a lemed a trainer's train

Scudamore, father of the present champion National

Only four out of 34 runners survived the course; at Becher's Brook second time round, Tim Brookshaw, the jockey on Wyndburgh, the eventual runner-up, shouted to Scudamore: "Look, no to Scudamore: "Look, no feet." A surrup iron had Nonetheless, Wyndburgh almost closed the gap on a tiring Oxo on the long run-in, and the post came just

in time, Success at the Cheltenham Festival was another mark of Stephenson's skill, and winners he saddled at this highest level include Portarlington, Greektown, Time, Panisse and Barberyn. On the Flat, he Until his retirement in 1980, Stephenson accordingly sent out a stream of winners, hut the 1950s must be judged Yorkshire Oaks, as well as two winners of the Ascot Stakes in

Guerrier and Delmere. True to his background. Stephenson successfully combined training with farming, Arctic Prince, in the colours of Mr "Joe" McGrath won the 1951 Derby. True, it was the revival, with Ken Oliver, widely considered a poor year of the Doncaster Bloodstock Sales which he helped to build chasing and breeding horses. less than that which his trainer back into a flourishing enter-His cousin, Arthur, is today's had well prepared him for: to prise. All of which bears witness to his tireless application. This, combined with an Six years later, Stephenson's inborn shrewdness, made

PROFESSOR HANS KALMUS Genetics as the clue to sense perception

Professor Hans Kalmus, a

distinguished member of that band of scientists who fled Nazi persecution and came to Britain before the war, died on November 24, aged 82.

He carried out pioneering research in hiological rhythms, animal behaviour and the genetics of sense perception (including colour blindness) in a long career based on University College, London. Indeed he was working in his laboratory until a

few days before his death. He was born in Prague and read zoology at the German University there. From 1931 he was a lecturer hut in 1939 he left Prague abruptly with his wife and family, and arrived in London, where he

immediately went to work at University College. As a student he had already done research on the rhythms of insect hatching and on the "time sense" of bees, showing

that both these things could be affected by temperature.

colleagues from all over International Society for Bio- themes to German prisoners in Sweden

which explored problems of decompression, thus improvwell as having a bearing on all diving practices. This was all relevant to his

own concerns, as his work on periods of recovery from the effects of the toxic gases sometimes created to circumcompression, gave him useful data on hiological clocks.

While taking his turn at fire watching during the Bltz, Kalmus also found time to write his book Genetics, which has been translated into several languages, and is known all over the world. Though not conceived as a text book, it became one, and was, in its day, the bible of students of

At the end of the war Europe, he had founded the Kalmus lectured in genetical logical Rhythms, at Ronneby, of war, convincingly explain-During the war he was part headed Nazi notions of of J. B. S. Haldane's team eugenics and race had been.

Back in Gower Street, he helped to reestablish genetics ing the chances of escaping leaching and developed his from sunken submarines, as own work which branched into such fields as colour blindness and sense of smell, He demonstrated, for example, that dogs who could distinguished between individuals by sense of smell. failed completely in the case of identical twins; and this led him to the conclusion that. body odour was genetically

determined. In his youth Kalmus had beeo a fine athlete and he carried on skiing for sixty years. He was also a poet and recently published a selection

of his German verse. He leaves his widow, Anna (Nussy), their two sons and a

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and Housing for British Col-umbia.

HO RAF Support Command HQ RAF Support Command
Air Marshal Sir John Sutton,
Air Officer Commanding in
Chief, RAF Support Command,
and Officers of the Brampton
Park Officers' Mess held a guest
night last night. Wing Commander P.L. Hickey presided
and Wing Commander J.L. Morean-Jones also stoke.

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17th/21st Lancers
The Annual Officers Dinner of
the 17th/21st Lancers was held
last night at The Cavalry and
Guards Club, in the presence of
Lieutenaot Colonel Shauo
Longsdon, Colonel of the
Regiment. Mr Murray Lawrence, Chairman of Lloyd's, was the guest of honour and priocipal speaker at a luncheon given by the Canada-Uoited Kingdom Chamber of Commerce at Stationers' Hall yesterday. Mr Michael Lowe, vica-veridate resided and the

vice-president, presided and the other guests included the Ca-Regiment.
Company of Makers
of Playing Cards
The Lord Mayor and Lady
Mayoress, accompanied by the
Sheriffs and their ladies, attended the anoual dinner of the
Company of Makers of Playing
Cards held last night at the
Mansioo House. Mr B.G. Rigg,
Master, presided and the other
speakers were the Lord Mayor,
Mr J.J. Warr and Mr G.D.
Pannell, Senior Warden, The nadian High Commissioner and the Minister of Social Services

Pannell, Senior Warden, The guests included: The High Commissioner for Australia.

Today's royal

engagements The Duke of Edioburgh will visit Catterick Garrisoo, North Yorkshire, and open the St Joho's Centre at 10.10 and, as Colonel-io-Chief, will visit The Queen's Royal Irish Hussar. Cambrai Barracks, at 10.35. The Duke of Gloucester, as Patroo of the Society of En-

at the Royal Over-seas League at Princess Alexandra will open the ocw "Avenue Tower" for the Wildfowl Trust at Caer-laverock, Glencaple, Dumfries-shire, at 2.15.

zineers, will attend a luncheon

Gresham College Professor A. Field and Mr D.N. Vermont presided jointly at a seminar and dinner discussion on 'Decent Media' held last night at Mercers' Hall, London EC2.

Society of County Treasurers The Annual Dinner of the Society of County Treasurers was held on December 1, 1988, at Stationers' Hall. The President, Mr David Morgan, County Treasurer of Avon County Council was in the chair and the principal guests and speakers were Sir Philip Jones CB, Chairman of the Electricity Council, and Mr H.J. Davies, Controller, The Audit Commission for Local Authorities in England and Wales. Representatives of County Councils and Local Authority Associations and the heads of a number of Civil Service Departments were also present. The Annual Dinner of the

menis were also present.

London Society of Rugby Football Union Referees Mr R.A.B. Crowe, President of the London Society of Rugby Football Union Referees, presided at the 100th anniver sided at the 100th anniversary dinner held last night at the Cafe Royal. The other speakers were Mr John R. Simpson, President of the Rugby Football Union, Mr Robert B. Burrell, Lieutenant-Colonel Robert M. Cannons and Mr Nicholas Cousins.

Receptions

Scottish Financial Enterprise Scottish Financial Enterprise (SFE), hosted its annual London cocktail party, on Thursday evening, at the Caledonian Club, London SWI, attended by representatives of its member-

ship, the media and others.

Dr Patrick Boylan, President of The Museums Association, was the host at a reception held on Wednesday night in the British Museum in mark the Centenary and later served on the Northof the Association. The prin-cipal guest of honour was Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother, Patroo of the Association, who congratulated the Association oo its centenary and cut a birthday cake. Mr Ian Spero, of Spero Commun-ications, sponsor, and Coun-cillor Michael Tierney, Institutional Vice-President, re-

ms Association

BRIGADIER JOHN MELLSOP With the Indian Army in Burma

Brigadier John Mellsop, CBE, broke the Japanese attempt to states of India and Pakistan. a well-known figure in the pre-Independence fudian Army who had a career after the Second World War as a Conservative Party agent, died on November 30, aged

Mellsop was educated at Reading School and Sandhurst and was commissioned into the Royal Berkshire Regiment in 1927. After early service in India he transferred to the Indian Army. He was involved with the 4th Battal-ion in the successful elimination of terrorism in Bengal,

West Frontier. In 1940 he graduated from the Staff College at Quetta. His advancement was rapid. He was promoted to command the 6th Battalion Majratta Light Infantry and was twice mentioned in despatches for his part io the

gruelling Imphal battles which

advance on Delhi.

23rd Indian Division and was again mentioned in despatches during operations in Java following the Japanese surrender. He was made responsible

for the conduct of truce talks between the Dutch and Indonesians at Medan. Acting as neutral President of their Joint Committee, he displayed considerable negotiating skills and brought the talks to a successful conclusion, thus ending hostilities in the Netherlands East Indies in 1946. This achievement was recognized by the award of a military CBE.

In 1947 after Indian independence, he was appointed chief Staff Officer of the East Punjab Command, based on Delhi and specially formed for internal security and to protect refugee movement be-

tween the newly-established

In this capacity he mounted He was appointed GSO I in and administered the Indian operations in Kashmir, but independence had brought to an end his career and he

retired to 1948. On return to the UK he qualified as a Conservative political agent in 1949 and spent the next 17 years working for the party in the Wessex

In 1966 he was transferred to Central Office and ap-pointed finance officer in the organization department. On retirement he engaged in voluntary work for the London

Marriage Guidance Council. In his younger days Mellsop excelled in sport, being an athletics "Blue" at Sandhurst and in 1927 was a Gold Medal winner in the Berkshire Half

Mile. But his great love was Rugby Football He married twice. His first wife died in 1964 and the

second in 1983.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & PERSONAL

And Ezra blessed the Lord, the great God. And all the people answered. Amen. Amen. with lifting up their hands, and they bowed their heads, and worshipped the Lord with their faces to the ground. Networksh 3.6

JOKL - On November 30th, heave to the end, at The Sussex Nutrited Hos-pital, Joyce Gertrude (nie Langdon) widow of Frederick Joki, mother of the late Fenella Joki, Family flowers only. If desired, domeinons to Camera Research, c/o Pia Henderson, 138a Gwydir St., Cambridge CB1 211.

MEADOWCROFT - On Tuesday November 29th 1988, peacefully. George, saddy missed by his children Anne, Marparut and Philip.

GGH.VY-WESS - On November 30th, James, suddenly. Funetal on December 7th at 2.45 pm at Goldsta

Green Crematorium.

PALMER - On November 25th, Jeremy John, aged 46, loving husband of Carole, devoted father of Andrew. Simon and Penelope, beloved eldest son of Mavis and Sidney John and dear brother of Timothy, Jonathan and Christocher. Donations to, The British Heart Foundation, would be appriculated.

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President, would be apprictated.

President - On November 30th 1988, peacefully in Old Wali Cottage Nursing Home, Betchworth, Raymond Steadman, aged 35 years, formerly of Swanage, Dorset, Funerel service on Tuesday December 6th at 4.30 pin at The Surrey and Sussex Crematorium, Worth, Nr. Crawley.

SHIER - On November 28th 1988, Richard levers Shier, Tregmwith Wood, Mylor, Cornwell, aged 77 years, A General Practitioner in Penryn, for 28 years.

Geoffrey Belifield Smith of Urmston. Chesture. Cremation has taken place.

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STEPHERSOM — On Tuesday
November 29th 1988, at Arthur
Rank House, Cambridge, William
Stophenson, aged 77 years, of The
Ridings' Royston, Herts, Beloved
husband of Bobby and a dear father
and grandfather. He will be greatly
missed by all. Cremation private.
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donations for Arthur Rank House
gratefully accepted. c/o Ceci
Newling Funeral Directors, 5 Green
Drift, Royston, Herts.

SWAMM — On November 30th,
suddenly and peacefully at home,
John Wiffrid Fowell, aged 76,
Beloved husband of Jacqueline,
father of Michael, grandfigher of
Alexandra, John, Cilvin and Heory,
Private funeral, Memorial service to
be announced later.

AMMER - On November 27th 1988, very peacefully in Perth, Australia, Godfrey Britten, Lovinghy remem-bered by Mary, Myra, Norean, Freda, Pauline, Rosaleen, Angela, Bernadette, Godfrey, Sean, Kevin and all relatives and Friends.

TROMPSON - On November 30th 1968, peacefully at Sue Ryder Home. Cheltenham, Addison Roy F.R.LB.A. Cremation on Transday December 8th 1988, at 2.00pm at Cheltenham. Enquiries and domestions to Cancer Research, to Seltin Smith & Co Ltd. 74 Presidury Road. Cheltenham, Tel. (0242) 826383.

Cheltenham, Tel. (0242) 526583.

WARNER - On November 19th 1988, suddenly and tragically to Defroit, Michael Keily (Michael Age) aged 51, dearly beloved irusband of Barbara, adored son of Morgan and Irene, loving brother of Robert. Patrick, Suzanne Warner Burgess of Wimbledon Park, Kathleen and Thmothy, Dear son in law of Clifford and Nancy Ditzhazy. Also leaves three nieces and six nephews. Terribly missed by his family and meny friends. he will be remembered for his kithdeen, sense of humour and love of life. A light has truly gone out.

WENNAM - On November 30th, peace.

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MENHAMI - On November 30th, peacefully at his home, Edward John
M.B.E., of Oldbory Rd., St Johns,
Worcester, Funeral service at
Worcester Crematorium on Tuesday
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Memorial Foundation, c/o Bercleys
Bank, St Johns, Worcester.

MEMORIAL SERVICES

LEWIN - A Service of Thanksgiving for the life of Sylvia Lewin will be held on Saturday January 21st 1989, at 2.30cm at the Church of The Good

IN MEMORIAM - PRIVATE

GARDAM - A Service of Thanksgivin

for life of Bill Cardam will be held at 12 noon on Saturday, December 10th, at Christ Church, Kingston Road, Statues, Middleser,

WACHMAN - Edward. Forever in our hearts. Love. all his friends.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

EDES - The family and close friends of George and Hidako wish to express their sincere thanks for the belp and support they have received from very many sources. Also to everyone who attended Weymouth Carmatorian and for the floral tributes and generous donations which are being received for the West Dorset Chidrens Centre Appeal c/o Grasshy Funeral Service, 16 Princes Street, Dorset. Please accept this as a personal message of thanks.

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BIRTHS

BAKER - On December 1st 1988, at Queen Charlotte's Hospital, to Karen (née Hartweit) and Nicholas, a

difference - On November 23rd, to Miranda (née Bevis) and Bill, a son Harry Guy, a brother for Rosie. CAMPBELL - On St. Andrew's Day, to . Marina and Jamie, a daughter. GOSH - On November 29th, to Lindy and Paul. twin daughters. Harriet and Georgina. Mother and babies, fil, well and beautiful.

DAVIDSON - On November 21st 1988. to Maddalena (née Borghero) and Timothy, a son, Nicholas Alexander, a brother for Thomas. ELAMD - On November 27th 1988 to Rhizamon Wynn Jones wife of Mi-chael Eland, a sun. Thomas George Senierain. A brother for Charlotte. ELLIOTT - On November 29th, at Central Middlesex Hospital to Rosanna (née Gorard) and Martin, a son, Benedict Edward Henry. TEMER - On November 19th, to Carolyn (nee Hunt) and Tim, a daughter. Louisa Clare.

(IRELAND - On November 30th, at Kingston Hospital to Melanie (née Barton) and Robert, a damphier Sophie Natasha, a sister for Emma. LORE - On November 11th, at St Pe-ters Hospital, Chertsey, to Caroline (née Sait) and Ian, a son Charles Nicholas Kenneth, Congratulations! PHENOX - On November 22nd, in Majacca, Majayala, to Monica (nie Chi) and Paul, a daughter, Sarah Rachel Helena, a 7th stater for

SEARS - On November 30th 1988 to Pippa (née Pigot) and William, a son. David William, to Sydney, Australia

SMITH - On November 30th, to Julia and Humphrey, a son, Samuel Geoffrey Gladstone. SMITM - On November 24th at John Raddiffe Hospital, Oxford, to Caroline (née Buchanan) and Paul, a daughter, Emily Margaret Alice. TAYLOR - On November 23rd 1988, in New York, to Camilla (née de Ferranti) and Michael, a son, Luite

WYMAN - On November 29th, to Joy (née Foster) and Peter, a daughter, WYNN JONES - See Eland.

DEATHS

ANTONIOU - On November 27th, suddenly at home, Nicos K., dearly beloved husband of Irene and father of Kraig, Andrees and Julia. The service and funeral will be held at 64 Sophia's Greek Orthodox Church, Moscow Road, London today at 10.30am.

BALFOUR - On November 30th, peace-fully at home, Ana. M.B., C.H.B., wife of Dr. G.M. Balfour and much loved mother and grandmother. colliss. On November 29th 1988, peacefully at Amesbury, Etizabeth, Rosamond (Ros) formerly of High Leaze or Oare, Wills, After a long illness bravely borne, beloved sister, aunt and great aunt, Funeral service on Wednesday December 7th 11.30am at Holy Cross Church, Wilcot, nr. Pewsey, followed by private cremation. Flowers to G.W. Burden, Church Street, Amesbury, Wills.

1988, pencefully, and at home after a long illness borne with great courage and good humour, Bill. loved and Joving husband of Charmian and, father of Clare and David, Funeral service will take place at \$1, John the Bontist Church I breathy, Carliela at isi Church, Upperby, Carlisle, at n, Monday December 5th, fol-Midland Bank, Broadacye House, Carilsle CA3 8DA. Enquiries to W.H Reeves (0228) 21307, All friends welcome of the church.

CUTTLE - On December 1st, peacefully at Herrison Hospital, Dorchester, Ethel Maud (Bahs) aged 86, much loved widow of Ratph Cuttle, Mother of Geoffrey, and grandmother of. Mary, Ann and Edward, Funeral service at St. Mary of Bothamy, Wolding, at 12.50 pm on Wednesday December 7th, Ribowed by private cremation, No flowers, but donations if desired, to Altzheimers Disease Society (Research), 158/160 Batham High Road, London SW12 9BN, Pugn Road, London SW12 9BN,
DAW - On November 29th, peacefully
at home, Anorah, wife of the late
Charles Bennett Daw, most beloved
aunt of Anorah, loving sister, aunt
and grestaunt, Funeral service
Tuesday December 6th, Ipra, at
Mortake Crematorium, Flowers to
J.H. Ketnyon, 49 Marioes Road,
Kensington WB.

ELLERTON - On November Son, after a great fight. John Francis Willon Major Gion. 11. Col) RA red. Husband of Molly and father of John and Tony. Funeral at Salisbury Crenatorium on Wednesday December 7th at 1.30 pm. No flowers by request by request

flowers by request. HAMSON - On November 28th 1988, at home. Roy lan. Beloved husband of Isobel, father of Susan and Georgina, father-in-law of Peter and Ernst. and grandfather of Michael. Service on Monday December 5th at St Marrys, High Street, Maddenhead, at 12 noon. Family Gowers only. Donations to Missionary Aviation, Fellowship, care of 8t Marrys. Fellowship, care of St Mary's.

HAYDON - On November 29th 1988.
Profesor Denis Haydon. Funeral at
1.45pm on Wednesday December
7th at St Edward King and Martyr.
Cambridge. Donations please to
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Haemalolony Department,
Addenbrook's Hospital, Cambridge.

Latest wills

Lieutenant-Colonel Arthur Langbar, West Yorkshire, left Stewart Genemell, of Houghton estate valued at £1,480,251 net. Stewart Gemmell, of Houghton on the Hill, Leicestershire, left estate valued at £1,454,569 net. Sir Patrick William Denner, of Whitchorch, Hampshire, for-mer Conservative MP, left es-tate valued at £258,705 net. Mr Eric Charles Marchant, of Hove, East Sussex, chartered surveyor, left estate valued at. Greenwich, London, under-writer, left estate valued at

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Mr Alexander Thomson
Brooks, of Woldingham, Surrey,
actuary, left estate valued at
£1,063,139 net.
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Mr Andrew Ryle Harding, of
Left estate valued at
£3,760,457
Mrs Jovee Ceahanne Mr Andrew Ryle Harding, of Mrs Joyce Cadbury, of Dinton, Wiltshire, left estate valued at £1,765,386 net.

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FRIDAY PAGE

Star crossed marriages

When a Jew marries a Gentile there are mixed feelings, writes Sally Brompton

hen Sally Sherwin married Richard, she committed the ultimate Jewish sin. Not only was he not the classic nice Jewish boy, he was also a pig farmer. "Marrying a Christiao was bad enough, hut a pig farmer..." recalls Sally, aged 30. Her determination to follow her heart rather than the rigid dictates of her forefathers is typical of an increasing number of British Jews, one third of whom oow marry out of

At a seminar this Sunday at the Sternberg Centre for Judaism, Rabbi Jonathan Romain will deal with the whole concept of mixed marriage, from the enforced registry office wedding through the minefield of bringing up children to the question of whether death should them part. The rabbi will also be looking at the attitude of in-laws, a major problem for the Sherwins. "When we broke the news of our engagement to Richard's parents, the champagne came out," Sally recalls. "But breaking it to my parents was more like a wake. My mum was always on my side and my father eventually came round to it, but his mother has just dismissed us, really. As a result, my father hasn't spoken to her since we got married, which I feel bad about."

Brought up in a non-orthodox Jewish atmosphere — "I'm Jewish, and proud to be Jewish, but it's never featured much in my life" - Sally oevertheless admits: "I never saw myself getting married to anyone but a Jewish man.

Sally and Richard, aged 37, have a two-year-old son, James, who has been circumcised and "will have a religioo of some sort", says Sally, who is expecting their second child on Christmas Day.

"I never felt any guilt about wanting to marry Richard," Sally says. "I was prepared to do it and face the

This is an attitude shared by many of the Jews who marry out of their faith. Certainly, David Rutman had no qualms about marrying a Methodist. "It didn't really matter to me one way or another as long as we were happy," says David, aged 40. He spends the Jewish high days and holy



Not everyone was happy when Richard and Sally Sherwin wed: "Marrying a Christian was bad enough, but a pig farmer . . .

days" with his mother, "but my wife, Jane, doesn't choose to come. She elected oot to go through a formal

They intend to let their daughters, Zoe, aged eight, and Joanna, six, make their own decisions about their religious beliefs wheo they are old enough. Jane, aged 34, wornes about anti-Jewish attitudes. "I'm quite sensitive sometimes about saying my husband is Jewish. And I don't like it when people make Jewish jokes. If David was very religious, we just couldn't get on like we do."

For July McVittie, however, Judaism is an important part of her life and one which she deeply minds oot being able to share with her atheist husband, John. So far, their four-year marriage has, according to July, aged 30, flourished on compromise. With a three-year-old daughter, Madeleine, and plans to have another child next year, July says: "I doo't know what will happen if our next child is a boy. John's not very happy about circumcision and I don't like making him unhappy but I shall have to persist. It's an awful thing to say, but

The seminar is on Sunday at 2.45pm at the Sternberg Centre for Judaism, 80 East End Road, London N3, and is open to both members of mixed marriages.

God willing, I'll have a little girl." While John, a 41-year-old computer consultant, chose oot to talk about his marriage, his wife admitted: "I wish he would coovert. I wish we could have a proper Jewish life. I go to synagogue and see all these Jewish bachelors around and think, 'I could have married one of them' - but then I think, 'I've got the man I love.' But it is a conflict."

For all sorts of reasons, the description of an accused terrorist responding to a female police officer's questions by experience himself mally believed. by exposing himself really hit my nerves. IRA members are advised to respond to interrogations by silence and adopt different tactics to amuse themselves. They may lie on the floor like animals or unzip their trousers. A policeman's lot, I suppose, but surely the librettist never anticipated this sort of humiliation.

It was against this background that the Home Secretary introduced limitations in Northern Ireland oo the right to remain sileot. An accused still doesn't have to answer questions, of course, but his refusal can oow be brought to the jury's attention and his silence can be taken as corroboratioo of any facts which he refuses to explain. I caught Lord Denning oo television applauding this move. The innocent long to speak and explain," he was saying.

This was supported by Lord Hailsham who, in a colourful speech in the House of Lords, dismissed those of us who worry about changing the rules as "foxhunters". We are transfixed by our devotioo to style and concentrate on the rules to the point of oot seeing what we are doing to the fox. he explained, as he outlined the dispute between Benthamites and Blackstonians. This made me pause and wooder why I feel so strongly about retaining the untrammelled The right to silence has been

key to the adversarial system of justice here in England. It reflects an inherent mistrust of the potential power of the state and was expressed as early as Magna Carta. Behiod this was the idea that if the state is going to interfere in a man's life, it must show that it is authorized io law to do so. It cannot, as the Star Chamber did, poke about questioning individuals trying to find something with which they can be charged. The state must have a "case to meet" before it interferes with a man's liberty and oo man should be required to assist the state in compiling that case, oor should his silence speak against him.

Lord Hailsham dismisses those people who wax eloquent about the untrammelled right to silence by pointing out that it oever existed before 1898. That seems to me just a little glib. The reasons for a

to say nothing



BARBARA AMIEL

man oot being able to give evidence on his own behalf in English courts before 1898 are complex, as are the reasons for the evolution of this right during the last one hundred years. I can't help feeling that the dismissal of this right as just another set of "fox hunt-ing" rules is a little cavalier

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when we are talking about an entire edifice of law huilt up during the most civilized period of English jurisprudence.

There are, of course, other systems of justice beside our versarial one - most notably the inquisitorial system favoured on the Cootioent, In that system the accused most certainly cannot stand mute hut that is for one very good reason. In the inquisitorial system the questioning is done by a magistrate, oot the police. That doesn't answer all coocerns but it does introduce one very important element missing from the English system.
One reason for reconsidering

aoy limitation on the right to silence ought to be that we don't want a British system which would have the disadvantages of both the adversarial system and the inquisitorial system without the safeguards of both.

To my mind, though, the key to this whole argument lies in the circumstances which hring it about: it is ao emergency situation in Northern ireland that gives us the Diplock courts and the Prevention of Terrorism Act If we are now going to alter the right to silence — a legal tradition that has existed for nearly a hundred years because of very specific events, shouldn't we restrict it to those events? If this clashes with our egalitarian intincts which want to see all people treated the same by the law, I fied it most disturbing that we would resolve this in favour of treating everybody from traffie offenders to burglars with the methods that are appropriate for handling terrorists.

But most importantly of all, one dislikes the curtailment of the right to silence because it is part of a greater success of terrorism. There is a nasty spirit abroad that expresses ilself in the curtailment of free speech and all the elements that go along with it: this spirit is impatient of jury trials, is manifest in the new censorship rules concerning Sinn Fein, is impatient with a system that allows suspects to remain silent when convictions are difficult enough.

There is an old saying that hard cases make bad laws and, truism though it is, it is none the less accurate. It may be very difficult to convict terorists hut nevertheless we should not lose sight, I think, of the terrorist's principal goal - as much a part of his haodbook as the advice on how to take advantage of legal safeguards. The primary aim of terrorism is to force societies ioto barbarie postures to change us io such a way as to make us lose our demo-cratic nature and begio resemhling the terorrists themselves. We must not hand them this oo a platter, Mrs Thatcher wishes to deprive the terrosits of "the oxygen of publicity" and I certainly don't disagree with her, but alas, free speech and the adversarial system are also the oxygen of liberal democracy, We may restrict and both choke the rats to death, but without that oxygen, we will

GETTING TO THE HEART OF THE MATTER FOR ANGLO-JEWRY

The Jew who falls in love with a non-Jew and perseveres with the relationship despite family one of Anglo-Jewry's abiding support the superstructures of across community boundaries is an old one and sympathy usually lies with the couple. and a belief in the principle, amor vincit omnia;

Be it Jew with Gentile, Catholic with Protestant, the familiar scenario persists. But it is worth asking how the drama looks to the minority exploring whether there is any substance to its anxieties.

Anglo-Jewry is no larger vi

obsessively. Can such a small ızı rei

problem to the Jewish community almost exclusively besociety, most of those in mixed relationships bring their children up as nothing in particular.

And the Jewish community

community concerned and is almost wholly united in seeing outmarriage as a threat to the passing on of a uniquely valuable religious tradition.

smallness means that it plays into society without wishing to contract between two Jews to the numbers game almost be assimilated by it, walk a set up a Jewish home, and tightrope. But a certain level of since rabbis have no special opposition is both a dramatic community retain its distinc- outmarriage seems inevitable power of blessing, there is no cliche and an encapsulation of tive identity and continue to from social integration.

Some rabhis also walk a Mixed marriages present a tightrope links two almost monies. That can cause pain to contradictory messages. The all concerned. first is that since outmarriage cause the likelihood is that the is such a threat, it should be the Sternberg Centre for Judafamily will be lost to Judaism. avoided. The second says to ism is intended as a realistic In a predominantly secular those who have entered such response to an inevitable courelationships that there is still sequence of living in the a place for them within the modern world. It acknowl-Jewish community. Many feel edges the role played by the the latter weakens their fun- heart and seeks to move on damental position.

One problem unites almost every rahhi in the United Rabbi Tony Bayfield aluable religious tradition. Kingdom. Since the marriage • The author is director of the Those Jews who integrate ceremony in Jewish law is a Sternberg Centre for Judaism.

place for them as rabbis and leaders of the Jewish commuparticular nity at mixed marriage cere-

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★ CANDIDE: Leonard Bernstein's tunepacked musical, part opera, part Broedway.
Old Vic Theatre, Waterloo Rd, SE1 (01-928 7616). Tube: Waterloo. Previews from tonight, 7-30-10pm. Opens Dec 6, 7-9-30pm. Then Mon-Fn 7-30-10pm, Sat 7-45-10 15pm; mats Wed 2-30-5pm and Sat 4-6-30pm. Previews 26-218, From Dec 6 26-219.

+ THE CONQUEST OF THE SOUTH POLE: As re-enacted by five unemployed youths in a Fluinfand attic. Royal Court Theatre, Sloane Square, SW1 (01-730 1745). Tube: Sloane Square. Mon-Set 8pm. Mats Set 4pm. Mon £4, Tues-Set eves £5-£12; Set mat £4-£9.

* HENCEFORWARD: Ian McKellen and Vaudeville Theatre, Strand, WC2 (01-836 9888). Tube: Charing Cross. Mor-Fri 7:30-9:50pm, Sat 8:30-10:50pm; Mats Wed 2:30-4:50pm and Sat 5-7:20pm. 27:50-215.

☆ LADY AUDLEY'S SECRET: Performance art production of the melodrama by Mrs Braddon. ICA Theatre, The Mail, SW1 (01-930 3647). Tube: Piccadilly Circus. Mon-Sat 8-10pm. £5.50. Until Dec 17.

★ THE MADWOMAN OF CHAILLOT: Eleanor Bron in Giraudoux cornedy that Eleanor Storivio the years. Lilian Baytis Theatre, Sadlers Wells, Rosebery Ave, EC1 (01-278 8916). Tube: Angel. Mon-Sat 7-45pm, mats Thurs 2pm and Set 3pm. 26-29. Until

★ PHILOCTETES: Cheek by Jowl in London for seven weeks between tours with two "desert island" plays, Donmar Warehouse, 41 Earlham St, WC2 (01-240 8230). Tube: Covent Garden. Opens tonight 7.30-8.50pm. Then Mon-Sat 7.30-8.50pm; Mats Thurs 2.30-3.50pm and Sat 4-5.20pm. 27-£10; Thurs mats £5.50 Sat mats £6.49 Plays Thurs mats £5.50; Sat mats £6-£9. Plays

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OUT OF TOWN

COVENTRY: & Our Elien: Tina Gray as the krepressible Ellen Terry: a trip through her life on and off the stage. Belgrade Studio Theatre, Belgrade Sq. (202 553055), Mon-Sat, 7.45-10p, 22.75.

FILMS Also on national release

a Advance booking possible M AU REVOIR, LES ENFANTS (PG): Louis Malle's drama, set in a provincial boarding school (107 min). Curzon Mayteir (01-499 3737). Progs 1-30, 3.45, 6.20, 8.50.

B 8IG (PG): Tom Hanks plays the child turned grown-up in this latest role-reversal comedy (105 mm). Cannon Chelsee (01-352 5096). Progs 1.45, 4.40. 7.10, 9.35. 1.49, 4.40, 7.10, 9.35. Odeon High St Kensington (01-602 6644). Progs 1.40, 4.00, 6.20, 8.40. Odeon Marble Arch (01-723 2011). Progs 1.15, 3.25, 6.15, 8.35. Odeon Swiss Cottage (01-722 5905, 588 3057). Progs 1.20, 3.35, 6.00, 8.45.

BIRD (15); Clint Eastwood's (181 mm). Lumiere (01-836 0691). Progs 1.25, 4.35, 7.55, 11.15. Cannon Fulham Rd (01-370 2636). Progs 1.40, 5.15, 8.45.

COLORS (18): Vivid crime drama from director Dennis Hopper about two Los Angeles cops of clashing temperaments (121 mln). Cannon Chalsea (01-352 5096). Progs 2.30, 6.40, 9.25.

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1 (1) A Fish Called Wanda 2(-) Scrooged 3 (2) Colors 4(-) Bird

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Heavy rock at the top



With the single "Bad Medicine" at No.1 in the United States until this week and the New Jersey album a recent No.1 in both Britain and America, Bou Jovi (from left to right, Richie Sambora, Jon Bon Jovi and Alec John Such) has consolidated its posi-Joy and Arct John Such has consolitated its pos-tion as the most commercially successful heavy rock group in the world. That accolade was earned by the band's 1986 release Slippery When Wet, which cur-rently boasts an astounding tally of 17 million copies sold. Bon Joyi was started from scratch in the early Fighting by the science Ver Boarders' with prescript Eighties by the singer Jon Bongiovi, who recruited musicians from among his friends and contacts playing the bars and juke-joints of New Jersey. The band

broke itself in with a stint on that same circuit (which in earlier days was where Brace Springsteen got started) and released a début albam, Bon Jori, in May 1984. Their subsequent success undoubtedly hinges oo the ability to appeal as much to the (male) gig goers at a heavy metal roughhouse like Castle Donington as to the (female) teenage viewers of Top Of The Pops. Bon Jorials British tour starts tonight of the Pops. Bon Jovi's British town starts tonight and tomorrow. SECC. Glasgow (041 248 3000) 7.30pm. £12-£13; Monday, Tnesday and Sunday, NEC, Birmingham (021 780 4133); Thursday, December 8, Friday 9, Monday 12 and Tnesday 13. Westbley Arena, Middlesex (01-902 1234). David Sinclair

Odeon West End (01-930 6111). Progs 12-20, 3.00, 8.00, 8.30, 11-45. A FISH CALLED WANDA (15): The 5.10, 7.25, 9.40, 12.00.
Cannon Balter St (01-835 9772). Progs 2.30, 5.30, 8.15, 11.00.
Cannon Fulham Rd (01-370 2636). Progs 2.00, 6.00, 9.00.
Cannon Oxford St (01-636 0310). Progs 1.05, 8.30, 5.55, 8.25, 11.15.
Cannon Stuffesbury Ave (01-836 8861). Progs 1.00 (not Sun), 3.30, 8.00, 8.30. U.2 — RATTLE AND HUM (15): Movie debut of the rock band U.2, filmed during their American concert tour (98 min). Empire (01-200 0200). Progs 2.30, 5.00, 7.15, 9.30, 11.45. adventures of two scheming Americans, an uppgint English bernister and an animal rights fanatic (109 min). Cannon Oxford \$1 (01-636 0310). Progs 1.50, 4.55, 6.05, 11.15.
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GOOD MORNING, VIETNAM (15): Robin Williams as a DJ sent to Vietnam (121

mm). Cannon Cheisea (01-352 5096). Progs 1.30, 4.00. 6.45, 9.25. Cannon Oxford Street (01-636 0310). Progs 2.00, 5.05, 8.10, 11.15. 28 Warner West End (01-439 0791). Progs 12.45 (not Sun), 3.20, 6.55, 8.30, 11.15.

MIDNIGHT RUN (15): Robert de Niro as a bounty humar gwen the job of teking a bai-jumping accountant cross-country (126 mm).
Cannon Futham Read (01-370 2636).
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A NATWEST PLEASURE: In the NatWest Classics for Pleasure series Carl Davis conducts the LPO in Bach's Suite No 3, Poulenc's Organ Concerto (Smon Preston, organ), Weber's Konzentsück (Izumi Tsumura, piano). Royal Festival Hall, South Bank, London SE1 (01-928 8800), 7.30-9.15pm, 25, 22.50. * FROM GALANTA: Kodely's Dances

SNO under Gyorgy Lehet, which continues with Bartok a Prano Concerto No 2 (lan Hobson, soloist) and Bratims's Swinthow Mo 2 No 2 (187) Hooseni, autoria in the Symphony No 2. Usher Heil, Lottian Rd, Edinburgh (031 228 1155, cc 031 228 5756), 7.30pm. SCROOGED (PG): BB Murray as the TV £2.70-€11.50.

executive determined to exploit Christmas to the hut (101 min). Plaze (01-200 0200), Progs 12.45, 3.00, 5.10, 7.25, 9.40, 12.00. * SONGMAKERS' STRAUSS: The Songmakers' Almenac team celebrate the irie and Lieder of Richard Strauss. Wigmore Hait, 36 Wigmore St, London W1 (01-935 2141), 7.30pm, returns only. * TODAY TILL TOMORROW: In this

** TOUAT TILL TOMORROW: In this "The Reluctant Revolutionary" concert, Schoenberg a seldom-heard comic opera Von Heute auf Morgen is preceded by his Kol Nidre and 8 Songs on 8 Queen Elizabeth Hall, South Bank, London SE1 (01-928 8800), 7.45pm, £4.50-£10.

£4.50-£10.

The FROM UTRECHT: Handel's *Litrecht*To Deum and Bach's Magnificat are heard from the Edinburgh University
Chamber Chor under Michael Tumbull.
Edinburgh University, Red Concert
Heit, Lauranon Piece, Edinburgh (031
667 1011 ext 4577), 7.45pm, £3.50. ★ THE WINNER: John Lenehan, winner

of the Alkan Piano Competition, plays Alkan's Le Tambour Bat eux Champs, Super Flumine Bathylonis, and Sonatina Op 61. Purcell Room, South Bank, London SE1 (01-928 8800), 8pm, £4.

OPERA

* THE MAKING OF THE REPRESENTATIVE FOR PLANET 8: Sluggish production and partitudinizing floretto by Doris Lessing do intile to make Philip Glass's flatby attempt at a "green" opera an attractive proposition English National Opera, Collseum, St Martin's Lane, London WC2 (01-836 3161), 7,30-10,30pm, £2.50-£26.

* THE MAGIC FLUTE: Jonathan Miker's relaxed bookish production for Scottish Opera arrives at Bradford on tour. Altembra Theatre, Bradford (0274 752000), 7.15-10.30pm, £4.50-£16.

ROCK

☆ KGGY POP: Start of extensive British tour by the wondrously rejuvenated godfather of punk. University of East Anglia, The Plain, Norwich (0603 505401) 7.30pm, £7.

* THE MISSION: Goths aboy. Wayne Hussey's Seventies-revisited roadshow. Wembley Arena, Empire Way, Middlesex (01-902 1234) 7.30pm, 27-28.

* POP WILL EAT ITSELF: Hip hop pr PUP WILL EAR (15ELF: hip nop fusionats from Stourbindge striking out on their own again after being repeatedly bottled and then thrown off the Public Enemy/Run DMC package tour. Liverpool University, 2 Bedford St North (051 794 2000) 7.30pm, £4.50-£5.

JAZZ

HANNEBAL MARVIN PETERSON: The US trumpeter leads 8 quartet including plantst Rahn Burton, 100 Ctub, 100 Oxford Street, London W1 (01-636 0933) 8pm, £5.

* JEAN TOUSSAINT: Currently based In London, the ex-Art Blakey tenor player takes his inspiration from Wayne Shorter and Hank Mobley-Brighton Jazz Club, The Concorde, Madeira Drive (into 0273 606460) doors open 8.30pm, ring for prices.

★ JAN GARBAREK: The ECM saxophonist explores Nordic folk songs in 8 New Age ambence. Queen's Hall, Clerk St, Edinburgh (031 869 2019) 8.30pm, £8.50 raserved.



Laura Knight's Trio Gymnastique" (above) is one of the 20th-century works on display and for sale at this year's London Original Print Fair at the Royal Academy of Arts (see Gallery listings). Now in its fourth year. the priot fair has attracted almost 30 exhibitors from the UK, Europe and the US, who will be displaying more than 6,000 original prints of works of art from old masters to contemporary artists, from Canalesto to Chagall and from Rembrandt to Ranschenberg.

DANCE

☆ APOLLO: Soloists from London Festival Ballet give Balanchine's classi-with Bruce's dramatic Swansong and showpiece dances by Petips and Bournonville. Theatre Royal, Bury St Edmonds (1284 89505). 7.30-10pm, £4-£9.

A DARK ELEGIES: Rambert Danca A DAMK ELEctions: Hamber Dame Company in Tudor's master work, with Subhan Davies's Embarque and Alston's Strong Language. Theatre Royal, Newcasse upon Tyne (091 232 2061).

* SWAN LAKE: Patrice Bart's new production for London City Ballet. Churchill Theatre, Bromley, Kent (0). 480 6677), 7.45-10.45pm, £8-29.50,

GALLERIES

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pies. Sutfolk Show Ground, Ipswich, Today noon-5pm. Tomorrow and Sunday, 9,30am-5,30pm. Adult £1.50, child free.

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BURKA
(b) Also burkha, burga, etc., a
loose garment with veiled eyeholes, covering the whole body,
and worn in public places by
Muslim women to screen them
from the view of men and
strangers. from the strangers, from Hindi/Arabic burga'. TRIONES

(c) The seven principal stars of Ursa Major, akn the Ptough and Charles's Wain, from the Latin oriones ploughing oven: "The fair Trions with their glimmering light/Smild'd at CUE

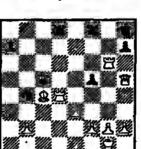
(a) Also gu and giu, a rude kind of violin used in Shetland, from of violin used in Shethand, from the Old Norse gigir, Scott. "A knocking at the door of the mansion, with the sound of the gue and the langspiel, an-nounced, by their tinkling chime, the arrival of fresh revellers."

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4.00 Catchword with Paul Coia 4.30
Favourite Things. Lord
Tonypandy talks to Roy
Plomley about the things that

please him most (r) 5,00 Handmade. Crafts magazine

BBC1 WALES: 6.30pm-7.00
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BBC1 3.30 The Pink Panther Show. Three

6.00 TV-am begins with News and The Morning Programme introduced by Lorraine Kelly and Richard Keys; 7.00 News followed by Good Morning Britain presented by Mike Morris and Kathryn Holloway; 8.00 News; 9.00 News and After Nine which includes Russell Gramt's weekly brospectus. 3.30 The Mark Parishers
Cartoons (r).
3.50 Corners. Young people's
Questions answered by Stephen
Johnson and Sophie Aldred
4.05 Ewoks 4.30 The Satellite
Show Includes music from

5.00 Newsround 5.05 Record Breakers includes a visit by the world's most prolific painter
5.35 Neighbours (r).
6.00 Six O'Clock News with
Nicholas Witchell and Andrew

Harvey
6.30 London Plus and weather
7.00 Wogen With Sue Lawley. On
tonight's guest list are actor Sir
Michael Hordern, film star
Comenhery and, with a

Michael Hordern, film star
Steve Guttenberg and, with a
song, Dame Vera Lynn.
7.40 Blankely Blank. Les Dawson's
guests are Geoff Capes, Bernie
Clifton, Barry Cryer, Belia
Emberg, Debbie McGee and
Adrienne Posta. (Ceefax)
8.15 Twenty-One Years of the Two
Ronnies. Sketches and songs
chosen by Messrs Corbett and
Barker from their fruitful comic
partnership (r). (Ceefax)
9.00 Nine O'Clock News with
Michael Buerk. Regional news and
weather

9.30 Fam: Firepower (1979) starring
Sophia Loren and James Coburn.
Adventure yarn about a
troubleshooter hired by the United States tax department to kidnap a fraudstar who is holed up in a Caribbean fortress.

in a Caribbean fortress.
Directed by Michael Winner.
(Ceefax)

11.10 For What We Are About to
Receive... To buy or not to buy a
satellite dish

12.00 Film: The Rumaway Train
(1973) starring Ben Johnson, Vera
Miles and Ben Murphy. A
made-for-television thriller about a
mountain resort train, cerrying
200 siders, with its brakes frozen
up. How can it be stopped as
the train hurtles down the hilliside?
Directed by David Lowell Rich.

1.25am Weather

rate: Go For a Take (1972)
starring Reg Varney and Norman
Rossington. Comedy about a
couple of in-debt gamblers on the
run from their bookie. Orected
by Harry Booth 7.30 Bilko (b/w)
starring Phil Silvers (r).
Prisoners of Conscience.
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S.00 The Friday Report: Pills for All
lils. Why some tranquilizer
addicts are seeking
compensation (London and East

only). 8.30 First Time Garden. (Ceefax) 9.00 Entertainment USA. Jonathan

11.15 The Late Show with Care
James. Under Thatcher and
Reagan is the Press a lap-dog
or a watch-dog? With journalists'
Carl Bernstein, Alex Cockburn
and Barbara Amiel 12.00
Weather
12.05 am Prisoners of Conscience.

See 7.55 12.10 Film: Shockproof (1949, b/w). Ends at 1.35. (see Choice)

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GRANADA As London except 1.20pm Granata Reports 1.30 Week in View 2.00-3.00 Falcon Crest 3.30-4.00 The Young Doctors 6.00 Granada Re-

King in St Louis 9.30 Arena. (see Choice) 10.30 Newsnight 10.30 Newsnight
11.15 The Late Show with Clive

6.00 Film: Go For a Take (1972)

weekly horoscope 9.25 Lucky Ladders. Game show. The questionmester is Lennie Bennett 9.55 Thames news Time. . The Place. . . Mike Scott chairs a discussion on a

topical subject 10.40 This Morning. Magazine series 10.40 Ins Morning. Magazine series presented by Judy Firmigan and Richard Madeley. Today's edition includes Jan Leeming investigating popular crafts. Plus national news at 10.55 and regional news at 11.55

12.10 Rainbow. Children's puppet series (r). 12.30 Santa Barbara. Glossy scap set in Celifornia.

12.10 Rambow. Children's puppet saries (r). 12.30 Santa Barthara. Glossy soap set in California 1.00 News at One with Julia Somerville 1.20 Thames news and weather 1.30 Joe Brown's East End. A new series in which Joe Brown revisits the places of his childhood. His guest is Roy Hudd 2.00 The Bill Omnibus edition (r). 2.55 Home Cookery Club. Savoury Wheat Bake.
3.00 Give Us a Clue. Celebrity mime game presented by Michael Parkinson. This afternoon Liza Goddard and Lionel Blair are joined by Lucy Fleming, John Imman, Judy Loe, Gary Waldhorn, Fatima Whitbread and Simon Williams 3.25 Thames news and weather 3.30 Sons end Deughters. Australian family drama series
4.00 Crush a Grape with Sts Francis and guests the Grumbleweeds 4.30 Scooby Doo (r).
4.45 Freetime. Andi Peters and Michael Strachan sample the skiing slopes of Orpington; the latest in aprés-ski wear; and discover a trial biking holiday

ITV/LONDON 5.15 Blockbusters. General knowledge quiz game for teenagers, presented by Bob

Holness 5.45 News with Alastair Stewart 6.00 LWT News 6.15 Friday Now presented by Pam

Royle
7.00 Family Fortunes. The Browns from Jarrow meet the Perrett family from Surrey. Presented by Les Dennis
7.30 A Kind of Living, Comedy
series starring Richard Griffiths
and Frances De La Tour, This

week Trevor offers marital advice to the unhappy Dixon. With Tim Healy and C. J. Allen 9.00 Beauty and the Beast.

Catherine comes to the aid of a gypsy boy who has been banished from the family enclave after being framed for a theft by s crooked uncle. Starring Linda Hamilton Perlman Taggart. Episode two of the three-part thriller and the Glasgow detective is informed of the discovery of another

dismembered part of e woman's body. Starring Mark McManus (r). (Oracle) 10.00 News at Ten with Sandy Gall and Carol Barnes 10.30 LWT

news and weather

10.35 The London Programme
presented by Trevor Phillips. An
investigation into the
difficulties the police are facing in climatines are pouce are racing at trying to track down the man ricknamed the "Werewolf Rapist" who attacks elderly women in the Surrey and Sussex area at a time when there is a full moon I Darts. The Winmau World Masters from the Rainbow Suite, Kensington, introduced by Dickie Davies. The commentator is

Dickie Davies. The comments
Dave Lanning
12.30am Throb. Comedy series
1.90 Night Network includes
cartoons, videos, pop music,
guests and reviews
4.00 Baseball '88
5.00 ITN Morning News. Ends at

CHANNEL 4

9.30 Schools
12.00 The Parliament Programme

12.00 The Parliament Programme
12.30 Business Daily.
1.00 On Course. Magazine series
for Open College learners
2.00 Film: Moulin Rouge (1952)
starring Jose Ferrer. Fictionalized
version of the celebrated
Parlian artist Toulouse-Lautrec.
Directed by John Huston
4.10 Film: In the Sweet Pie and Pie
(1941, b/w) starring the Three
Stooges. The hapless trio are
framed for murder and sentenced
to a public happing. Directed

framed for murder and sentenced to a public hanging. Directed by Giles White
4.30 Fifteen-to-One. Quiz game
5.00 Mork & Mindy. American comedy series
5.30 Redibriek. Series on life at Newcastle University (r). (Oracle)
6.00 Searacrow and Mrs King. This week Amanda is assigned to the case of a missing colleague
7.00 Channel 4 News with Peter Sissons and Anne Perkins. Sissons and Anne Perkins. Weather

7.55 Book Choice. Andrew Motion discusses The Completed and The Selected Poems of Thomas

VARIATIONS

ports \$-30-7.00 North West Connections 10.30 Granada Reports 10.45 This Engand 11.05 Firm: Escape from New York 1.00am James Whale Rado Show 2.00 Night Network 4.00-5.00 Ports 65

HTV WEST As London except 1,20pm News 1,30-3,00 Film: Touch and

News 1.35-2.00 Ham: Touch and Go* 6.00 News 6.45-7.00 Your Say 10.35-11.05 Flashback for the Fans 12.30em Film: Disaster in the 5ky 2.00 Night Network 4.90 Wales This Week 4.30-5.00 Job finder. HTV WALES As HTV West 900-90 Wales at Six 10.35-11.05 The Divided Kingdom.

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SCOTTISH As London
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land Today 1.20-3.30 Film: Flansgan
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to Coast 6.35-7.00 Time Out 10.35 Film:
The Taking of Pelham 123 12.30 am
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Network 4.05 Facing South 4.355.00 Jack Thompson Down Linder.

TYNE TEES As London
1.20 Starmo the Actors (Gene Hackman) 1.20 News 1.30 Insight 1.45-3.00
Joan Baez at Norre Dame 6.00-7.00
Northern Life 10.35 On the Edge
12.30 am WKRP in Crimmina 1.00
James Whale Radio Show 2.90 Night
Network 4.00-5.00 Route 66.

ULSTER As London

8.00 The Dubliners' Dublin. The
1000-year-old story of Dublin told
by the popular Irish group
9.00 The Golden Girls. (Oracle)
10.00 Whose Line te It Anyway? Adfib comedy from John Sessions,
Clive Anderson and, this week
Stephen Fry, Enn Reitel and Josie
Lawrence

Lawrence 10.30 The Last Resort. Live from the London Palledium, Jonathan Ross Introduces Harry Dean Stanton, Robbie Coltrane and

Stanton, Robble Coltrane and Huey Lewis

11.20 frish Reel: Four Voices.
Performances by Mary Coughlan, Philomena Begley, Dolores Keane and Lesley Dowdall

12.20am Film: Quatermass II (1957, h/w) starring Brian Donlevy as Professor Quatermass who discovers a high-level government cover up of an alien invasion. Directed by Val Guest

1.55 Film: Footsteps (1974) starring Gemma Craven as a lodger with a highly developed sense of sound who thinks she hears a murder in another part of the house, Directed by Alan Parker.

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7.30 C'Mon Madild 6.00 Ceth Gwlad
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Late Show 11.30 News 11.35 Firm:
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NETWORK 2 Starts:

laconic as the characters be has created oo the screen. Eastwood must be an interviewer's nightmare. He is courteous enough but tries hard not to look bored. It is not quits "yup" and "nope" but not a long way off. And yet he can be deceptively shrewd. Asked in Arena (BBC2 9.30pm) about Charlie Parker. the subject of his new film Bird, Eastwood talks about the contradiction in a man who was disciplined in his playing but not in his life. He then adds, revealingly: "But I don't try to give an answer." Eastwood has never tried to give answers, which may be why he has been labelled both a fascist medievalist (by the critic Paulice Kael) and a feminist director (for giving strong roles to women in his films). He shrugs off both labels with wry amusement. He can afford to smile, all the way to the bank, having owned all his films since his directing debut with Play Misty For Me 17 years ago. It is Eastwood the director that the programme concentrates on. Perhaps, like Chartie Parker, there is a dual personality. Red Rodoey, the trumpet player who appears in Bird, describes Eastwood as "a

TELEVISION CHOICE

Sitting to the middle of a

field in Reno, Nevada, Clint

Eastwood runs his fingers through his hair and plays the

part of the hard-oosed Holly-

wood professional who is just

doing his job. Almost as



The former television cowboy hero Clint Fastwood takes the director's chair on the set of his latest movie (BBC2, 9.30pm)

 I should have written weeks ago to commend the BBC2 series of late night films noirs which are going out under the umbrella title of Fatal Attractions. Heppily it is not too late. Delights to come loclude Orson Welles's The Lady From Shanghai and the genre's current cult favourite, Build My Gallows High. Using the Film Club ploy of prefacing the films with a critical introduction, the series has

Dirty Harry does Bird

tested but mnight we go nff the beaten track for the 1949 film, Shockproof (BBC2, 12.10am). Cornel Wilde plays a parole nfficer ensnared by a jemme fatale. But if the plat is conventional, the treatment is often stylish and the credits boast twn names who have since became highly fashionable among cineastes. Samuel Fuller as co-writer and Douglas Sirk as director.

Peter Waymark

sky aod saying that it is the kind he could hammer a peg

The seeds of murder

mainly relayed the tried and

RADIO CHOICE

soft, easy-going, mild man-

nered man - not a bit like Dirty Harry". Chan Parker,

Charlie's widow, tells how she

castigated Clint oo the set for

not making a character cruel enough. Instead of pinning her

against the wall with a gun at her throat, the erstwhile Dirty

Harry just shrugged his shoul-

 If Woyzeck (Radio 3, 9.50pm) strikes you as fragmeotary and incomplete, there is every reason why it should. Georg Buchner left it like this wheo he died (in 1837). But even in its unfinished state, this tale of the uocomprehendiog soldier driveo to murder, makes total the additional strengths of Clive Brill's production in the BBC's Belfast studios is that it carries a musical score (by David Byers) that rounds off some of the play's jagged corners while adding some sharp cutting edges of its own. It is excellent planning to broadcast this production again - it first went out about a year ago - just a couple of days after Radin 3 transmitted the opera that Berg based on the play. Woyzeck is arguably the first "modern" play ever

Tim McInnerny: superb as a tormented man (R3, 9.50pm)

written. It certainly sowed some of the seeds of naturalism, and in the English version by John Mackeodrick that we bear tonight, the vivid and realistic images come at us thick and fast. What better pointer to Woyzeck's deep despair (superbly caught by Tim McInnerny) than his contemplating the grey, stone,

ioto, and hang himself from. Smiling Through (Radio 2, 10.30pm) reflects the last war through its popular soogs. For those, like myself, who lived through those years, the nostalgia level is very high indeed. I doubt if either of the two brothers whn perform the songs (Dave and Alan Sealey call themselves Cosmotheka to honour a vanished music hall of that name) is old ougn to nave nummed them the first time round, but their style is uncannily evocative of the Forties. Not all their linking material is as obvious as using Neville Chamberlain to cue them ioto "The Umbrella Man".

• If Rhythm 'n' Booze (Radio 1, 7.00pm), with its talk of vomit and fatal car crashes, does not make teenagers start to think the time has come to reform their drinking habits, nothing will.

Rafraichissement aux fruits de la vigne et du cognac.



DÉGUSTATIONS

Pineau des Charentes

This find - so fresh tastingso grapeful-known only to those who have passed through the ancient province of Saintonge, is now available to those who pass through the doors of their local fine wine merchant Degustez donc!

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Network 4.00-5.00 Route 66.

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VHF stereo — In London (104.8), the Midlands (98.4), the North (98.8), South Wales, Avon and Somersot (98.7), Oxfordshire (98.2) and Central Scottand (98.6) and MW (medium wave) 5.30 Adrian John 7.00 Simon Mayo 2.30 Simon Bates 12.30 Newsbeat 12.45 Gary Devics 3.00 Steve Wright 5.30 Newsbeat 5.45 Singled Out 7.00 Rhythm 'n' Booze (see Choice) 7.30 Jeff Young's Big Beat 6.00 Hey Rrradolff 9.30 in Concert featuring Robert Cray 10.30 The Friday Rock Show 12.30-2.00 Richard Skinner.

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VHF stereo and MW (medium wave)
4.00 Steve Madden 5.30 Chris
Stuart 7.30 Derek Jameson 9.30
Ken Bruce 11.00 Bob Hotness
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Huntiford 3.30 Adrian Love
5.05 John Dunn 7.00 Memories Of
You 7.30 Friday Night is Music
Night 8.45 Geoff Eales at the plano
9.00 Nigel Ogden with the
Organist Entertains 10.00 The
Goden Years with Alan Keith
10.30 Smitting Through (see 18.30 Smiling Through (see Choice) 11.00 Peter Dickson presents Nightcap 1.00 Alan Dedicoat presents Nightride 3.00-4.00 A Little Night Music.

WORLD SERVICE

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All times in GNT.
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Al Capone 1.30mm Closedown.

NETWORK 2 Starts:
2.30pm Bosco
3.00 Robin and Rose 3.20

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Happy Berinday 4.45 Ten Manute Tales 5.00 Newshire 5.25 Danger Bay 6.00 Jo-Maiu 6.30 Home and Awey 7.40

Naucht 7.05 Cursal 7.30 What is My Line? 8.00 Sports World 8.00 Mr President 9.30 Film: Un Hombre de Exito 11.25 Avengers 11.20 Closedown. Radio 8 6.55 Weather, News Headlines
7.00 Morning Concert: Handel
(Concerto Grosso in A
minor Op 6 No 4: English
Concert under Trevor
Pinnock); Bax (Tintaget:
LSO under John Barbirolii)
7.30 Morning Concert (concert) 7.39 Morning Concert (contd): Rossini (Overture to Le Cenerentola: Philharmonia

Orchestra under Giulini): Vivaldi (Concerto in G Op 4 No 12 — RV 298: Academy of Ancient Music under or virgors insist under Christopher Hogwood with Monica Huggett, violin); Sibelius (Velse triste: Philharmonia under Herbert work Karalen); Talemoner von Karajan); Telemann (Water Music: Musica

Antiqua Köln under Reinhard Goebel) 8.30 News 8.35 Composers of the Week: Bataldrev and Cui. Balakirev and Cui.
Belakirev's Mélodie
espagnole: Ronaid Smith
(piano): Le sept novembre
and L'Aurore (Khomyakov)
Borts Christoff (bass) and
Alexander Toherapnin (plano); Toccata in C sharp minor: Margaret Fingerhut (plano); and Symphony No 2 in D minor (1908); USSR State Academic SO under

9.35 Cathey and the Band:
Schubert (Sonatina in D - D
384: Leland Chen, violin,
and Paul Coker, plano);
Schubert (Hark Harl the Lark: Jorge Bolet, piano); Fortner (Three Shakespeare Songs; O Mistress Mine; Willow: When Daisies Pied: Timothy Wilson, counter-tenor, and Malcolm Mattheory, piano; Felina counter-tenor, and Malcolm Martineau, piano); Fauré (Shylock: Orchestre du Capitols de Toulouse under Plasson with Nicolai Gedda tenor); Steptoe (Six Chinese Lyrics: Timothy Wilson, counter-tenor, Malcolm Martineau, piano); Enesco (Suite villageoise: Orchestre Symphonique de la Symphonique de la aymprousque de la Cinematographie Roumaine under Cristasco); Schubert (Allegretto — Divertissement à l'hongroise — D 818: Peter Note and Helen Krizos, nizzos)

pianos) 12.00 BBC Welsh Symphny Orchestra: Bryden Thomson conducts Hoddinott's The Sun, the Great Luminary of the Universe; and Elgar's Violin Concerto in B ininor Op 61. With Don-Suk Kang

(violin) 1.00 News 1.05 Chamber Music from Chamber Music from Manchester: Lindsey String Cuartet play Haydn's Ouartet in C Op 74 No 1; Schumenn's Quartet in A 2.00 Messiaen: BBC
Philharmonic Orchestra
under Edward Downes play
Turangalia Symphony. With
Peter Donohoe (plano) and
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3.30 Rubinstein on Record:
Graham Sheffield introduces
the fifth of 12 programmes featuring the legendary prenist's recordings of Chabrier's Scherzo-Valse; Brahms's Piano Quartet No 3 in C minor Op 60 (with members of the Guarner members of the Guarneri
Quarteri; Ravei's Valses
nobles et sentimentales;
and Mozart's Piano
Concerno No 20 in D minor
(K 468) (with Victor SO
under Wallenstein)

5.00 A Century of English String
Music A 1837 recording of
Britten's Variations on a
Theme of Frank Bridge by
FCO under the composer (5

of 8)

Mainly for Pleasure: Rochey
Stationd presents e
selection of music with e
Venetian regatta theme
6.30 Dear Bb:: Geoffrey Smith presents some of the recordings the American cornet player made with Frankie Trumbeuer from 1927 onwards

7.00 News
7.05 Third Ear: The entist Victor
Pasmore talks to Edwin Multims about his life and his

Multins about his life and his career

7.30 A Schoenberg Arrangement: A Schoenberg Arrangement: Bach's Prelude end Fugue for organ in E flat: CBC SO under Robert Craft

7.45 Schoenberg: Replacing the advertised live concart from the Queen Elizabeth Hall are the following recordings. Kol Nidre: Victor Braun with the Festival Singers of Toronito and the CBC SO under Elmer Iseler; Six Songs Op & Anja Sāja with the Vienna PO under Christoph von Dohnanyi; Von Heute auf Dohnanyi; Von Heute auf Morgen: Royal Philharmonic Orchestra under Robert Craft with Erica Schmidt, Derrik Olson, Herbert Schachtschneider and schachtschielder and Heather Harper, Includes 8.25 Serial Soundtracks: David Huckvale Investigates the composer's film legacy,

the composer's him legacy, despite his refusal of all Hollywood commissions

9.50 The Friday Play: Woyzeck by Georg Büchner.
Translated by John Mackendrick. With Tim McInnerny (r) (see Cholce)

11.18 Composers of the Week: Berlfuz. Tantum ergo; and Act Four (excerpts) of Les Troyens (r)

nart series about Oliver

Peter Davalle

Radio 4

LW (long wave) (s) Stereo on 4.00 News 4.05 All in The Mind: Professor 5.55 Shipping Forecast
6.00 News Briefing; Weather
6.10 Farming Today 6.25
Prayer for the Day (s)
6.30 Today, incl. 6.30, 7.00,
7.30, 8.00, 8.30 News
6.55, 7.55 Weather 8.35
Vesterday in Partisment Yesterday in Parliament 8.57 Weather

9.05 News
9.05 Desert Island Discs: Sue
Lawley's guest is the
comedian Stephen Fry (s) (r)
9.45 Feedback: Chns Dunkley airs viewers' comments on BBC programmes and

BBC programmes and policy

10.00 News; International Assignment

10.30 Morning Story: Bird Boy by Donald S Murray. Read by David McKail

10.45 Daily Service (e)

11.00 News; Analysis: John Eidinow examines the state of Conservative Party

of Conservative Party policy, in particular the recent emphasis on social and environmental issues 11.47 Treasure Islands: Honor Wilson talks to Russian writers and publishers about how much Russian children's books reflect

Soviet ideology 12.00 News; You And Yours: Consume news and advice with John Howard

12.25 The Food Programme with Derek Cooper compares different brands of low alcohol beer and wines; and examines wine from Zimbabwe 12.55 Weather 1.00 The World At One

1.40 The Archers (r) 1.55 Shipping Forecast
2.00 News; Woman's Hour: From
Birmingham. Comedienne
Msrti Caine end Radio 1 personality Sybil Ruscoe discuss what it is like to be famous; Ros Grant, who runs a hostel for homeless tanganers talks about the teenagers, talks about the pressure the Government's regislation will put on these youngsters; items on a self-help group for parents whose children have been adopted, and on the role women have played in the pottery industry; plus a report on the increasing

number of divorced couples who still live together \$.00 News; God'e Revolution by Don Taylor, With Bernard Hepton, Part nine of e 124.05 Ali in The Mind: Professor
Anthony Clare examines the
workings of the mind. Today
he turns his attention to
schizophrenie (s) (r)
4.30 Kaleidoscope (r)
5.00 PM: With Gordon Clough
and Frances Coverdale and
including World Watch 5.50
Shipping Forecast 5.55
Weather

6.00 Six O'Clock News; Financial Report
6.30 Going Places: Clive Jacobs and the team with travel and transport news
7.00 News

7.00 News
7.05 The Archers
7.20 Pick of the Week: Margaret
Howard with highlights of
the past week's television
and radio programmes (s)
8.20 Any Questions? Jonathan
Dimbleby is joined by Joe
Ashron MP, Roland Long,
industrialist, Teresa
Gorman, MP, and Clare
Brooks, solicitor and SLD Brooks, solicitor and SLD councillor, From Huddersfield 9.05 Law In Action: Marcel

Berlins presents the news magazine about the courts, the law and our legal system

9.30 Letter From America by

Alistair Cooke

9.45 Kaleidoscope: Christopher
Cook talks to Nuria Espert,
a former actress who cofounded e progressive theatre company and whose production of Verdi's Rigoletto is about to open at the Royal Opera House 10.15 A Book At Bedtime:

Saturday Night and Sunday Morning by Alan Sillitoe. Read by Terry Molloy (5 of 12) 10.29 Weather 10.30 The World Tonight: With Richard Kershaw Richard Kershaw

11.00 Today in Parliament

11.15 The Financial World Tonight

11.35 Week Ending: Satrical
review of the week's news
presented by Sally Grace,
David Tate, Bill Wallis and
Royce Mills (s)

12.00 News incl 12.20 Weather
12.33 Shipping Forecast

VMF as I.W except: 11.00 am
12.00 For Schools: 11.00 Earth

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In the shadow of Lenin, demonstrators defy the Kremlin

(Reuter) - The ended last night in an attempt to restore calm.

Warning by

Kremlin over

ethnic crisis

bled region of Nagorno-Kara-

Armenian press reports said that some 48.000 Armenians

escape persecution, amid signs

of increasingly open conflict

between the two national

the leaders of both republics had failed to meet each other

half way over Nagorno-Kara-bakh. The territory forms part

of Azerbaijan but its mainly

Armenian population wants

spilled, the state cannot merely stand by," Mr Volsky

said. He added that deputies

from Armenia and Azerbaijan

were scheduled to meet party

and government leaders when

to be united with Armenia.

rose to 28.

Kremlin's envoy to the trou-Pravda, quoting Interior Ministry figures, said yesterday that a total of 28 people bakh yesterday condemned the conduct of the leaders of both Armenia and Azerbaijan had died io the latest ethnic as the official death toll from two weeks of ethnic clashes clashes between the Muslim Azerbaijanis and the tra-ditionally Christian ditionally

The capitals of both Arme-nia and Azerbaijan were effand 40,000 Azerbaijanis bad now fled across the border ectively under military rule last night, with dawn-to-dusk between their two republics to curfews, after months of simmering ethnic discontent had turned into open violence in the Azerbaijani towns of Kirovabad and Nakhichevan. The Kremlin's envoy. Mr Arkady Voisky, told the Su-preme Soviet in Moscow that

However, the authorities are still allowing demonstrations to continue in the Azerbaijani capital, Baku, although more than 550 people were detained in the city on Tuesday night and several weapons confiscated.

An Azerbaijani Foreign "When blood is being Ministry spokesman said that around 10,000 to 20,000 people gathered in Baku yes-terday, well below the 200,000 to 400,000 who were attending round-the-clock meetings last week, and most factories were the Supreme Soviet session said to be working.

Kremlin apologies

Continued from page 1 clear who wrote them. The sentatives. The vote on the package creates a strong presidency in place of a largely ceremonial one. It also sets up a new congress of people's deputies, with two-thirds of the representatives elected by the poblic and one-third by organizations, including the

Communist Party and unions. The President also said that the revised Constitution was temporary, as further changes woold respond to demands that local councils be given ministries and that the rights of the nation's republics be redefined. But they would be the national parliament.

made by new elected repreconstitutional changes was 657 for, three against and 26 abstentions in the Soviet of Nationalities, and 687 for, three against and one abstention in the Soviet of Unions.

The companion package providing for multiple-candidate elections was adopted

unanimously hy both bouses. An attempt at a revision from the floor was rejected by 1,353 votes to 23. That was an amendment offered by a Latvian delegate which would effectively have given the republics the power of veto in



Young Azerbaijanis wave their fists and chant slogans during an anti-Armenian rally under the statue of Lenin in Baku

Former girlfriend remanded on crossbow killing charge

Continued from page 1 mind and personal relationships" io

statements. The police felt she might attempt to make contact and influence them regarding evidence they had given. If bail was granted, "she may do harm to herself".

Inquiries had disclosed she had been seeking help from a psychotherapist "with regard to her personal relationships, particularly with her ex-boy frieod, for several years.

"Following the final break-up of their relationship, she sought the help of her GP who feared she may have suicidal tendencies", Mr Bul-ger said. The GP referred ber to a psychiatric unit and she was diagnosed as being "depressive and grief-

Ouestioned by Mr Raymond, Mr Bulger said that Miss Salveson had

made oo violent threats to either her ex-boy friend or Miss Maw.

Mr Raymond said there was a "degree of circumstantial evidence which lay at the basis of this case".

He said: "She is io oo way guilty of this awful crime. In oo way does she accept any part of the prosecutioo case. It has nothing to do with her. Her presence here is as the result of a terrible mistake." He said she admitted she had

acted in an "undignified and shameful manner" after the break up of her relationship, which had meant a great deal to her. "The break up of a relationship is one of the most stressful events that any humnan being can undergo."

Mr Raymond said: "She did follow her former boy friend and Miss Maw and did go to the theatre

when they were there." However, she oever approached them directly or threatened violence. "It was shameful behaviour and she bitterly regrets it oow."

Her behaviour was caused by stress after the break up. However. Mr Raymood said: "This doesn't make her a murderer. It makes her a sad woman, deeply distressed and deeply aggrieved.

"A persoo who appears to have all the motivation can be innocent; that does not just happen in detecive stories, it happens in real life."

Mr Raymond said the prosecution case was based only oo circumstantial evidence and a positive identification by a single wimess who at first had said he had seeo not a woman but a man and who could not remember the precise

WORD-WATCHING A daily safari through the language jungle. Which of the possible definitions is correct?

By Philip Howard

a. A type of spur
b. A heartless beauty
c. Space between bed and wall

a. A non-payer of bills

b. An enveloping garment
 c. An Assamese soldier

a. A primitive violin b. The common crane c. Gas Under Electricity

Answers on page 22

Solution to Puzzle No 17,841

ALESOP OF MITTONES

A PPROPRIATENESS
LARGOND CAVATINA
A O BRY A AR
LONDONER SPINET
COUNTERPROPOSAL
H B SUESSY L

a. Sample clothes for fitting b. Novices

RUELLE

BURKA

TRIONES

c. Seven stars

GUE

gerously unreliable" and there was grave danger of a serious miscarriage of justice".

"This is oot a defiant cry of someooe facing a hopeless case with a wealth of evidence which she cannot hope to test. This is the firm view of someone who has been wrongly accused." He said that on an objective view of the evidence "there must be a strong likelihood of acquittal at the end of the day".

Miss Salvesoo had helped with police enquiries voluntarily, had made her address book available, had also giveo permission to speak to her GP, psychotherapist and bank and to take up credit card and huilding society account references. She had speot 34 hours with police

date of the alleged sighting. He said oo four occasions since last August, this was misleading and "dan-although oot under arrest, had giveo her fingerprints and had allowed her flat to be searched twice.

"This woman has had her life opened up and has put it at the disposal of the police and allowed them to do what they would with it and finds herself here today as a result." She was not a naive persoo and after being interviewed on four separate occasions could not have failed to realize the importance of what was happening. But she had done nothing about it, he said.

Miss Salvesoo was remanded until December 8 but will not have to appear until December 22. Reporting restrictions were lifted. Mr Raymood said later an applicatioo for bail would be made to a judge in chambers "early next week".

Eastern areas will be dull

Political sketch

The pas de deux down on the farm

by the Prime Minister on Thursday, for removing mortgage payments from the Retail Price Index.

The first is that in maoy other countries they do not include them. Well, in many other countries they spit in

railway carriages.
Mrs Thatcher's second point was that the immediate effect of raising interest rates was that prices, like mortgage repayments, went up. Subtract these rogue items and a clearer picture would emerge. Well, what a comfort that

will be to the average Mrs Jones. "Bless my soul" she will exclaim: "Have you studied this morning's Hansard? That extra £98-20 on our mortgage isn't inflation at all. It's the reduction of inflatioo.
"You mean it's not a rise in our outgoings?" gasps Mr

"No, dear. Not as such. Just a sort of mirage. The inverted early swirt of a J-Curve. A blip. I explained this to our bank-manager, but he said something rather rude in reply.'

One cannot dispute Mrs Thatcher's logic. Her point, surely, is that price-rises are one thing, inflation is another. And it may be necessary to raise prices in order to reduce inflatioo. As this Parliament progresses and (say) baked-beans or petrol cost more, they too can be subtracted from the RPI.

But back to the present: Thursday's Questions to the Agriculture Minister.

Ballet was not directly mentioned in the discussion that Mr MacGregor led, but he can hardly be unaware that the two most subsidized groups in Britain are farmers and ballet-dancers. Government has recently ancounced a 31 percent increase in the Arts Council Grant, much of it desticed for ballet-dancers.

Now the problem with farmers, just like ballet-dancers is that they cannot be privatized as they are already private. And farmers are accustomed to a standard of living whose maiotenance requires them to grow more food thao we can eat. To keep their iocome up the authorities used to buy and stockpile agricultural produce, but these rotting heaps caused hurtful articles to be written io the less thoughful sections

Two reasons were advanced ment's new idea is "See. aside". The thought is to pay farmers for not growing things. The idea is that a Ministry Official asks the farmer how much barley he was planning to grow. "35 tonnes" says the farmer.

"Well, I'll tell you what" says the Official, "Don't bother. And the Government will give you £4,000."

Disarmingly simple, the idea has application in almost every area of the economy: But today we shall look at ballet. Your sketchwriter knows less about this as he never represented a balletdancing constituency: but the subsidies are huge: and how many ballet-dancers do you know? Exactly. Per-dancer the figure must be enormous.

To find out more. I went to a ballet, recently, in the Provinces. The auditorium was half-empty. In other words, supply of ballet in the Provinces exceeds the demand for it; we have a balletsurplus, along with the cheese-mountaio that was mentioned on Thursday.

You will have anticipated our recommendation: a "Setaside" scheme for the Arts-Couocil, too. Ballet-dancers should be asked how many ballets they intend to perform. Then, they would be offered a generous sum not to perform them.

This way, Britain would still be cultured because we would still have ballet-dancers. We would still be rustic because we would still have farmers. But there would be oo more dancing, or agri-culture, than the public could

Yet it is paioful to think of the sheer boredom for farmers and dancers of having to stay at home, part of the Dependency Culture, So here's a final refinement: require the ballet-daocers to farm and the farmers to dance. This would not result io the resurgence of ballet or barley as neither would have the remotest ability in the others' field. Nothing would be produced.

And how to ensure that Farmer Giles dons his tights. and Nureyev mounts the muck-spreader? This is where Mr Douglas Hurd's marvellous electronic tagging comes in! Tune up your fiddles, farmers, to the Dance of the Sugar Beet Fairy.

Matthew Partis

Extradition conflict

Continued from page 1

of the Press; so the Govern-

trial. Yesterday, Mrs Thatcher defended the Crown Prosecution Service against allegations that through issuing defective warrants it was responsible for the failure to secure Father Ryan's arrest.

She said it was five days since the documents had been sent to Duhlin and no question had been raised about them meeting the requirements of Irish law. Mr Haughey left Dublin for

the Rhodes summit buoyed by

leaders on the Ryao affair. Irish government officials made no secret of their pleasure at the embarrassment caused to Britaio after revelations that the original extradition warrants were flawed. They also believe that the Prime Minister's attack on the

Haughey would staod firm at his meeting with Mrs

HIGHEST & LOWEST

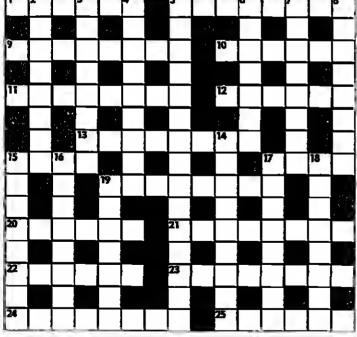
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LONDON

Yesterday: Temp: max 6 am to 6 pm, 8C (46F): min 6 pm to 6 am, 6C (43F). Humdig: 6 pm, 86 par cent. Rain: 24hr to 6 pm, 6,7m, Sun: 24 hr to 6 pm, nil. Bar, meen sea level, 5 pm, 1003.9 militiars, rising. 1,000 militiars=29.53in.

THE TIMES CROSSWORD PUZZLE NO 17,842



ACROSS

 He may take steps to execute certain measures (6). 5 Tolerated boy endlessly seen

around Scouts raily (8). 9 Tape is sometimes so attractive 10 Tiny amphibian owned by this compiler, say? (6).

11 Fee paid by a stock buyer to learn music (8). 12 Way to limit pain? It's in the bag

13 Shell a Continental state held by evii characters (8). 15 Front spaces for trebles (4).

17 Kiss hastily and have a nibble 19 tovoluntary responses of a Welshman having cable in-

stalled (8). 29 Move right out of corridor into the kitchen (6). 21 Unpitying woman? Not so (8)-

22 Joiner employed in cabinetmaking (6). 23 Bishop once said to be unortho-

24 Father's attempts at making Concise crossword, page 22

Two articles about the Commanding Officer's tropical 2 Two 3 Interpret study as half-genuine

4 Able to recall things about wine I've accumulated (9).

Versatile businessman known for his knavery? (4,2,3,6). 6 Army unit ordered to capture oil installation (7).

7 Harsh time to obtain dietary fibre (8). 8 An oststanding contribution to a snail's good looks! (3-5). 14 Irritating new tax that's dividing

you from the French (9).

15 Pigs half cooked in this vessel 16 Monocular giants producing work in recurrent series (8).

17 Show curiosity about least un-common old instrument (8). 18 One at the wheel giving firm kiss

19 Creature only existing originally in three rivers? (3-4).

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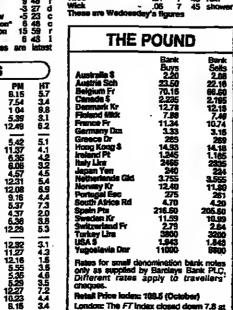
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WEATHER with rain, sleet or snow to the north. Central, western and northern areas will have misty start with fog and frost in the north. Outlook: Fog and frost in central and eastern areas and rain in west.



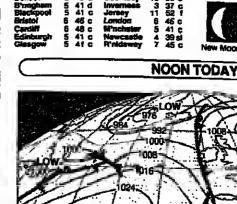


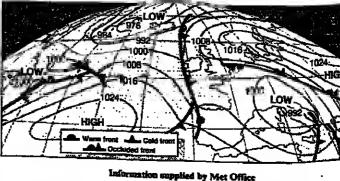
MANCHESTER



LIGHTING-UP TIME

YESTERDAY Temperatures at midday yesterday; c. cloud; 1, fair; r, ram; s, sun. C F 6 43 c 5 41 d 5 41 c 6 46 c 6 48 c 5 41 c 5 41 c C F 16 50 c 3 37 c 11 52 f 6 46 c 5 41 c 4 39 sl 7 45 c Guernaey Invernaes Jersey London M'nchster Newcastle R'nklawey





Irish government has improved Mr Haughey's position. Sources in Duhlin said Mr

WHELL

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Trade-weighted

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least the Government prob-ahly had some idea of what the

figures would be like before deciding on a price. We didn't

emerge today, they are likely to show that of the 20 Beta-

com million shares being sold

at 82p each only 60 per cent were subscribed. At the time

the price was pitched most

observers thought it rep-

resented fair value for a com-

pany offering good growth

Betacom was part of Can-non Street Investments, which

will own 29.9 per cent of the business after flotation. Mr Brian Korel, the Beta-com finance director, said:

"The market seems to be very

nervous at the moment. It is

"Other companies have

floated alongside hig pri-vatization issues and been

beavily oversubscribed. But

our company remains sound and we will do okay."

When the final details

have that advantage."

FRIDAY DECEMBER 2 1988

BUSINESS AND FINANCE 25-34 MOTORING 37 SPORT 40-44

Executive Editor David Brewerton

SE inquiry into Avdel

dealings
Dealings in shares in Avdel, the fastenings company, are being investigated by the surveillance division of the Stock Exchange.

The inquiry centres on dealing before and after the announcement of a bostile bid by the US-based Banner In-dustries at the end of October. Talks between Avdel and the exchange's insider dealing squad have been taking place for several days. Avdel, formerly Newman Industries, is strongly fighting the £102 million bid and has taken action to uncover the beneficial owners of various shareholdings. shareholdings.

BPB rise

Shares in BPB, the plaster-board producer, fell 19p to 220p as the group revealed pre-tax profits of £104.1 million for the six months to end-September, up 14.5 per cent but at the lower end of City forecasts. The interim divi-dend is raised by 0.75p to Tempus, page 26

Next warning

Next, the high street clothing retailer, saw its shares fall 23p to 133p after Mr George Davies, the chairman, issued a warning of lower profits Comment, page 27

STOCK MARKETS

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Hong Kong: Hang Seng 2668.03 (+8.73	
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Frankfurt:	
Commerzbank 1591-2 (+8.7))

	 CHANGES
AISES:	200-1-10-1

Scott & Robertson	405p	(+8p) +15p)
FALLS: Bejam Body Shop Burton	542%p (-12p)
Etam Next Woolworth	166%p	-17p) -20p)
Cray Electronics Suter	166%p (-34p) -13p)
Eurotunnel Units Rothmans 'B' Nat West	431p (427½p (-17p) -10p)
Berkeley Group	231%p (-10p)

INTEREST RATES

London: Bank Base: 13% 3-month Interbenk 133-6-13%% 3-month eligible bills:127132-12%% buying rate
US: Prime Rate 10%%
Federal Funds 81%%
3-month Treasury Bitts 7.82-7.80%
30-year bonds 99%-9936*

CURRENCIES

New York: £: \$1.8535* \$: DM1.7327* \$: SwFr1.452 \$: FFr5.9180* \$: Yen121.57* \$: Index:92.2 \$DB \$n/a
SDA £n/a

GOLD

London Fixing: AM \$425.50 pm-\$424.75 close \$423.00-423.50 (£228.25-228.75) New York: Cornex \$423.00-423.50*

NORTH SEA OIL Brent (Jan) pm \$14,55bbl (\$14.02) Denotes latest trading price



1.465

 Market news on Stockwatch yesterday included: Fears over the British Steel flotation saw the market slip. Shares to slide included MEPC (01081), down 12p after results, Land Securities (01417), down 13p, and Asda Properties (01403), down 2p. Largest mover was Cray Electronics (01538), which lost 36p on a profits downgrading by a broker. Scott and Robertson (03222) put on 10p after a disposal.

 Recent additions include: Parkfield Group Preference 03503; BTR Warrants 03508.

 Calls charged 5p for 8 seconds peak, 12 seconds

off peak inc. VAT.

Steel 'scrapes home' as Betacom flops

By David Brewerton and Cliff Feltham

for the £2.5 billion British Steel issue at 10am today, the Stock Exchange will be told that the £25 million flotation of the Betacom telephone business has been torpedoed by the market collapse.

Samuel Montagu, the mer-chant bank advising the Government on the Steel sell-off, said last night be was confident the issue of 2 billion shares would be fully sub-scribed.

A late flurry of applications took the number of individual backers of the Steel issue to more than 400,000 and the bankers were confident that the public portion of the issue - 23 per cent of the shares would be oversubscribed.

Institutions will not be putting in their applications until this morning, but in the City most leading analysts were predicting that the issue as a whole would "scrape

Mr Peter Deighton of Mor-gan Grenfell predicted the issue would be fully subscribed and that the shares would go to a premium when dealings start on Monday.

One of the most difficult reas of demand for the bankers to judge is the level of in view of the strength of sterling against the mark. Mr Malcolm Roberts of Fleming Montagu Stanley said

wall" that people were talking Analysts have been united

the United States drinks bot-tler with 18.3 per cent of Cadbury Schweppes, is plan-

ning to sell off its soft drinks

bottling business to Pensico

for \$1.5 billion (£809 million).

The news instantly sent

Cadbury shares soaring in London to 355p, up 16p. But

it is not an immediate cash

deal as Pepsico is planning to

pay in long-term bearer in-

terest shares. Consequently

Cadbury shares came back to

However, if a bid were

eventually mounted, analysts

end at 345p.

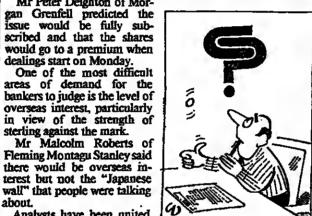
As application lists close in the view, since the market collapsed last week, that the "stags" seeking a quick profit would stay away, but that the high yield on the shares would encourage serious investors. Mr Deighton said this should ensure people receive the allocations they request.

But Mr Paul Richards, of . 265,000 of the 400,000 public

applications had been pro-cessed, amounting to 335 million shares. The issue is fully underwritten.

In what could be viewed as a bad omen, however, about 40 per cent of the Betacom issue, it is understood, has been left with the under-

One of the advisers involved in the Betacom issue said: "It is very disappointing. We priced the issue before the stock market took its second lurch following the trade figures. We knew we were coming to the market at the same time as British Steel but at



hopes of bid for Cadbury

By Derek Harris, Industrial Editor

would reflect a premium for

Cadbury's well-known brands

that include Wispa and Creme

General Cinema said later it

had "no specific plans" for the

proceeds of the projected sale but this statement is in itself

unlikely to dampen specula-

tion about its intentions on

owning the British confec-

tionery and soft drinks com-

But General Cinema is

General Cinema has never

Eggs.

Cadbury.

pany.

suggested it would probably be faced in Cadbury with a in the region of £5 to £6 a business three times its own

own at in to £3.6 billion and increasing doubts that it could

made secret its target of ain's Grand Metropolitan.

The issue suffered further embarrassment, it emerged, after an advertisement giving details of the prospectus inadvertently advised investors that they had until December 7 to submit their applications.

Mr John Gregory of Mc-Caughan Dyson Capel Cure, the broker handling the issue, said: "I doubt whether this had much effect on the result because most serious punters would have used the proper prospectus which gave the

body else with the financial

muscle to make such a move.

that Hershey Foods Corpora-tion, the US confectionery

group, could figure in a break-up bid for Cadbury. The

suggestion was that Hershey

would join forces with Brit-

General Cinema's amb-

itions to seize Cadbury were joited in July by Cadbury's

sale of its confectionery manu-

facturing operations in the US

There has been speculation

Spoonfuls build up to £120m at Tate



Tate & Lyle, which last year made two large acquisitions in the US - Staley and Amstar - while consolidating its position in Europe by increasing its stake in Cereal Science & Technology, crowned its achievements by producing pretax profits up 30 per cent to £120 million. The results, which were ahead of market

expectations, were helped by a strong performance in the British sugar market, sugar trading and Tate's service busin-

Mr Neil Shaw, the chairman of Tate, (pictured) said that the company's geo-graphical balance had shifted towards North America, where 59 per cent of the

group's assets are now employed. Turnnver rose 23 per cent tn £2.1 billion, and fully diluted earnings per share were up 24 per cent to 88.6p. The full year dividend is 29.5p net, an increase of 13.5 per cent. Tate & Lyle is proposing to split each of its £1 shares into four new shares
of 25n each. Tempus, page 26

Rate rises have yet to work'

By David Smith Economics Correspondent

General Cinema sale boosts The pound paused for breath yesterday, following its sharp rise of the past few days, as figures were published suggesting that high interest rates have not yet had a cooling effect on the economy.

Dealers said Britain's 13 per go to a full bid. What seemed increasingly likely was that it would pass its stake to somesee the pound sharply higher. The pound rose by a third of a cent to \$1.8535 but eased by

half a pfennig to DM3.2075. The sterling index was unchanged at 78.3. Figures from the Bank of England, in its weekly return,

suggested that activity in the economy remained buoyant in November. They further indicated the narrow measure of the money

supply, M0, was 7.8 per cent up on a year earlier in November, a slight acceleration from the 7.7 per cent rate recorded in October.

M0, which is targeted within a 1 to 5 per cent range.

moves closely in line with retail sales, and the figures would indicate that a strong pace of activity bas been maintained.

In the money markets, a

A new forecast publication from Chase Manhattan Sec-urities, The UK Economy: An Investor's Perspective, predicts that 13-14 per cent base rates will have to be maintained for up to six months to slow the

Murdoch launches attack on Collins management

Mr Rupert Murdoch, chief exploit to any great extent the like to take action to streng-executive of News Inter-national, has strongly criti-Harper & Row acquisition." like to take action to streng-then management but felt ob-liged to make offers to outside cized the recent management performance of William Collins in NI's formal offer for the Glasgow publishing group.

In a letter to Collins shareholders, Mr Murdocb says NI has supported Collins since 1981, when it first acquired a 41 per cent bolding in the voting shares, but now feels that Collins requires stronger direction."

"During the current year, eight key executives have left Collins, staff morale has suffered and profits in Collins' core businesses have declined," Mr Murdocb says. "In addition, Collins has failed to

Collins bought half of

Harper & Row from News America, the American subsidiary of NI's parent, The News Corporation, in September last year. "However, Collins has failed to take full ada a proxy fight by NI. "We vantage of the opportunities offered by the relationship with Harper & Row, even refusing to distribute and sell its titles in the UK."

Mr Ian Chapman, Collins' chairman, said: "This attack on management is manufactured for the purpose of the bid

This announcement appears as a matter of record only.

sharebolders "before taking the appropriate steps to implement the changes required. Mr Chapman responded

douid see that oil, "de said Mr Chapman said: "This is a cheap bid aimed at bouncing

that shareholders should not

shareholders."

But Miss Sonia Land, a director of NI, and formerly finance director of Collins, said: "We believe the market bas not focused on the size and strength of our existing holding. We see no reason to

in the region of £5 to £6 a business three times its own to Hershey in a franchising share. This would value the size and there had been deal worth £173 million. Property values lift MEPC

By Cliff Feltham

MEPC, the £3 billion property company, unveiled the bene-But the performance failed to satisfy some of the more ambitious expectations in the

The company, run by Sir Christopher Benson, made lion against £80.2 million in

stock market and the shares eased 11p to 558p.

the previous 12 months, a rise of 31 per cent. Earnings per share rose by

fits of the boom in values 15 per cent to 22p while yesterday when it reported an shareholders collect a final increase in assets per share last dividend of 11p, making a year of 36.4 per cent to 727p. total for the year of 14.5p, up from 13p previously.

MEPC included a contribution for the first time from Oldham Estate Company, owner of the Centre Point huilding in the West End of development programme to- of London.

of nearly 3.5 million sq ft of accommodation.

Property assets owned by

the group now exceed £3 billion, a rise of 29 per cent. The balance of the portfolio also shows a shift because of the rapid rise in the value of British assets, which now account for 80 per cent of the total, against 76 per cent a year ago. British properties rose in Christopher Benson, made London, now fully let for the value by 33 per cent during the pre-tax profits of £104.8 mil- first time. MEPC said its year, mainly in the West End

gloomy mood persisted, with fears that base rates may have to rise to 14 per cent in the coming weeks.

economy and that inflation will hit 8 per cent next year.

British companies may be sold to pay for acquisition

KKR wins the hard fight for Nabisco

From Bailey Morris, Washington

The successful offer of about \$25 billion (£13.49 billion) which won the battle for RJR Nabisco is expected to spark off another bidding war as Kohlberg, Kravis, Roberts begins dismantling the huge tobacco and food company to pay for its record acquisition. Several British companies could be auctioned off.

This was seen by Wall Street analysts as one of the more immediate results of the marathon contest for Nabisco, which broke all the rules of the takeover game.

The buge amount of debt that will be taken on by Nabisco - larger than the combined national debt of six developing countries — will be the focus of a Congressional inquiry. Senator Lloyd Bentsen, the powerful chairman of the finance committee, said yesterday that he will launch an investigation when the

Congress convenes in January. It was unclear whether the losers in the bizarre battle for the 19th largest US corporation will accept their defeat. There was speculation that the losing management group, lead by Mr F Ross Johnson, the president, would challenge

Maxwell Communication Corporation. which acquired Macmillan, the US publishing group for \$2.6 billion (£1.4 billion) last month, is selling four subsidiaries to KKR for \$400 million. The businesses are Macmillan Book Clubs, Gryphon Editions and Intertec Publishings, and Webb Pahlishing, Maxwell's agricultural magazine unit.

group, which included the participation of Shearson Lehman Hutton and Salomoa Brothers, could also launch a hostile bid for the company, but analysts said that this was unlikely given the huge sums involved.

Mr Johnson, who refused to comment on the speculation, was said to be extremely bitter that the independent group of directors accepted KKR's \$109 a share offer over the last-minute bid by his group which was higher, in the \$112a share or \$25.76 billion range.

What is certain is that large parts of Nabisco will have to be sold off after the conclusion of the takeover. This is likely to have far-reaching effects on the the outcome in court. The management regulation and scope of corporate buys.

on Wall Street, could either decide to sell off the company's tobacco operations, which have been valued at \$15.7 billion. or to begin dismantling the food operations which include 13 units in Britain. Spinning off the tobacco operations for \$15.7 billion would in itself be the second largest corporate sale ever.

The vast Nabisco brand operation encompasses in Britain well-established companies, including Huntley & Palmer biscuits, Jacob's Club Countline, Shreddies Cereal, Smiths crisps and snack poroducts, Walkers Crisps Snack Products, Hovis Crackers.

Mucb controversy remained in the aftermath of KKR's successful offer, notably the circumstances under which the independent group of Nabisco directors weighed bids by the three competiting groups.

Mr Dennis Hersch, a lawyer for the management group, said that he was very suspicous about the methadology of their valuation." Others involved in the marathon sessions, said that the directors selected KKR for largely nonfinancial reasons.

Bitter battle, page 28

and is completely inconsistent with what has gone before." Mr Murdoch says NI would pay a high bid premium."



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BUSINESS ROUNDUP

Float values Metro Radio at £10.4m

Metro Radio Group, which nperates Metro Radio on Tyneside and TFM Radio in Cleveland, the only two independent local radio franchises in the North East of England, will be valued at £10.4 million when it is floated on the Unlisted Securities Market.

County Notwest is placing 1,818,181 new shares at 110p—19.2 per cent of its increased share capital. Pre-tax profits topped £1 million in the year to end-September (£573,000) on turnover of £5.4 million (£4.4 million). Earnings per share rose 63 per cent to 8.6p. Dealings start on December 8 and net proceeds of the placing will be about £1.75 million.

Expansion at Early's

Ministry of Defence.

Early's of Witney, a blanket maker, is expanding in the north of England by buying Juhn Cockroft and Sons of Todmorden, West York-shire, for £526,000 in cash. Cockroft, which lost £30,000 on sales of £3.5 million in 1987, makes woven fabrics for industrial and wholesale outlets and sells to the

HK venture for Thorn

Thorn EMI is planning to boost its lighting business throughout the Far East via n joint venture in Hong Kong with Jardine Engineering.
The partners will each own half of Thorn Lighting (Hong Kong), which will use Thorn light-fitting designs and technology. It plans to manufacture for the local market and also export.

URS slumps into loss

URS International, the USM-quoted American project management and design group, showed a pre-tax loss of \$892,000 (£481,000) on revenue of \$4.3 million in the first half of 1988 compared with a profit of \$840,000 on revenue of \$5.3 million last year. No management fee has been charged compared with \$304,000 n year ago.

The company blames delays is starting several of its contracts. Delays continued in the third quarter. Since then, there have been several starts, but second-half profits will not

Spirax-Sarco Parys project acquisition

Spirax-Sarco Engineering is Anglesey Mining, which to spend Can\$11.6 millian raised £5.6 million in shares (£5.3 million) in cash buying the Toronto business of Erwel, which makes a range nf steam speciality products including steam traps and strainers. The assets produced trading profits of Can

'on schedule'

to finance its Parys Mountain project in North Wales, said it has invested £4.8 million so far in working capital and the project is on schedule and within budget. Shareholders' funds were £6 \$400,000 in the 12 months to million at the end of the half year to end-September.

United Industries up

United Industries, the precision springs manufacturer, showed an increase in pre-tax profits far the six months to end-September from £861,000 to £1.25 millinn. Turnover was np from £15.50 million to £19.51 million, with earnings per share edging up from 2.42p to 2.51p. An interim dividend of 1.2p (0.6p) is declared.

Mr John Cowen, the chairman, said the three loss-making companies are now profitable and the group has produced good results, entering the second half with strong order books. The directors look to the future with confidence.

Tate & Lyle hopes for a sweeter year in 3i, the venture capital insutution. There will also be

may be called on for further pected to remain firm. capital: interest costs have 115 per cent of equity.

may not be fully in control, will be dispelled by the fullyear results. Pre-tax profits of £120 million, up 30 per cent, exceeded the market's expectations, and was achieved despite very difficult conditions in the US.

An enormous US beet harvest in 1987 resulted in an oversupply of sugar in the North-eastern states, putting severe pressure on prices and capacity on the eastern sea-board, causing losses at Tate's Refined Sugar subsidiary, As a result Tate's US profits slumped from £13.7 million to £3.9 million.

Tate now seems poised to benefit from an upsurge in US profitability this year. While the US drought appeared to have little effect on corn supplies for cereal sweeteners, 1988 beet production was down compared with the previous year's record crop and this will firm the sugar market this year.

Cereal sweeteners also look demand has caught up with cent dividend rise was a fident that a rights issue is not £7.5 million profit on its stake profits improvement was, in-

ity, when acquisitions were on the outcome of the quarfollowed by disposals and new terly price negotiations with share issues, Tate & Lyle the main users of cereal shareholders may need to sweeteners - Coca-Coia and raise their sugar level. They other soft drinks manufac-may also wonder whether they turers — but prices are ex-

The British profit recovery soared and gearing has risen to is also continuing and this year's results will be flattered Any doubts, bowever, that by a one-off £8.5 million Mr Neil Shaw, the chairman, payment following the EEC's cane sugar inquiry in the

This year will be a year of consolidation in which Tate hopes to reduce its gearing to about 80 per cent. Mr David Lang, analyst at the stock-broker Henderson Crosthwaite, expects Tate & Lylc to make £170 million this year. The prospective multiple, a shade under nine, reflects the risks, and makes little al-

Royal Bank of itors. This shows that koyal Bank is one of the fittest

Scotland

Royal Bank of Scotland's shares had to take a dive after the annual results. Having outperformed the market by about 12 per cent during the last three weeks, the price was beginning to look overdone and yesterday's 10p fall to 355p was already on the cards.

But it does not mean that the bank's results were inadequate. They were above most strongly positioned now that expectations and the 18 per ROYAL BANK OF SCOTLAND 450 SHARE PRICE

pleasant surprise. The increase in pre-tax profit. even when one-off contributions creating excess canc refining lowance for the group's are stripped out, was some capacity on the eastern seapotential.

Share price

relative to. FTA index

1986

banking operations in Britain. The rather poor asset quality of a few years ago has been redressed, to the extent that the bank made a further 28 per cent reduction in normal bad debt provisions. Assets have been growing rapidly but mostly in relatively uncontentious areas such as mortgages, which shot up by £500 million.

The capital position is comfortable even after the recent spending on its overseas ambitions. Royal is con-

necessary in the foreseeable future.

DATASTREAM

Meanwhile, the group is building a credible overseas strategy through its link-ups in the US with Citizens and in Spain with Banco Santander. It is too early to say what benefits will flow through, particularly from the Spanish connection, but the strategy is dreamed up by a bank looking towards the Continent.

Royal Bank will have trouble matching the 1988 performance in the current year. though. The latest figures several substantial one-off items such as the continued holiday from pension fund contributions worth £21 million — and a

the introduction of an interest-bearing current account although probably no more than the other clearers will also suffer.

a further drag on profits from

This suggests a somewhat unexciting pre-tax profit of about £325 million for 1989. With the current yield at about 5.5 per cent - rather below most of the rest of the sector — and a p/e of 5.4. Royal Bank's shares are unlikely to cause much of a sensation this year.

BPB

BPB Industries' abrupt plunge from grace comes at the end of an interim reporting season which has seen many of the big names in the building materials sector comfortably outpacing City forecasts. Pretax profits up 14,5 per cent to £104.1 million for the halfyear to end-September came in at the bottom end of a range up to £115 million.

The figures left the City in as sensible as any other so far some disarray. Reduced forecasts, as low as £200 million, for the current year would imply an unbelievably static performance in the second half against a year ago. But, clearly, there was some embarrassment among those analysts who had initially been looking as high as £240

The powerhouse behind the

evitably, the core British plasterboard operation. BPB continues to enjoy a 95 per cent market share and rising volumes pushed earnings 20. 25 per cent higher.

The weak areas were France, hit by a price war in the laminated board market. and Canada, where the parlous state of the north-east US housing market sent chean

supplies north of the border. its command of the British market will in future be hit by the first deliveries in the next few months from the plant built by Knauf, the private West German operation in Sittingbourne, Kent, and by the long-awaited joint venture of Redland and CSR.

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Meanwhile, the company will remain vulnerable along with the rest of the building industry to any general turndown. But yesterday's fall, of 19p to 220p, looks overdone. It leaves the shares changing hands at little more than 6.5 times prospective earnings, on an achievable £210 million for

the current year. BPB surprised the market this summer with a higherthan-expected final payout. Total dividends this year of 10.5p, the top end of forecasts. would mean a yield of 6.3 per cent. And there is always the chance of a 1992-inspired bid from a European rival attracted by BPB's geographical spread. Any further weakness perhaps on bad housing

figures - and investors should

Erskine in 38% interim rise

from the US rose by £200,000

Erskine House, Mr Brian depressed earnings per share McGillivray's business machines group, had pre-tax profits up 38 per cent to £4.8 million in the six months to

end-September - before its

largest purchase yet, Quest Group, the microcomputer distributor.
The interim dividend is raised from 1.6p to 1.9p. Analysts are now looking

for profits in the region of £15 million for the current year, including a contribution of about £2 million from Quest. July's £25 million convert- to £1.59 million, held back by ible preference share issue exchange rate movements.

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It produces results

SUMMARY OF GROUP RESULTS

Gross rents and other income

Profit before taxation

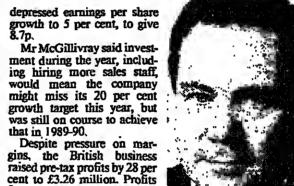
Profit attributable to

Earnings per share

ordinary shareholders

Net dividends per share

Taxation



Brian McGillivray: more staff

Two 'real ale' launches lift Mansfield to £3.7m

By Derek Harris, Industrial Editor

A successful launch of two ales, Ridings and Old Bailey. cask-conditioned "real ales" has belped Mansfield Brewery, the East Midlands brewer, by Mansfield as it battles for terim pre-tax profits, up 1 l per cent at £3.7 million.

Mansfield, whose £37.3 million turnover is down due to the sale of its Mandora soft drinks operation, attributes the higher profits to improved costs and efficiencies and increased beer volumes. Last year volume fell 5 per cent but in the current first balf it bas been running between 2 and 3 per cent down.

Mr Ron Kirk, group manag-ing director, said: "Now we are getting close to growing beer volumes again. We are beginning to get improvement of margins through costs and

are now in about a quarter of the free houses being supplied to better-than-expected in- this crucial growth market. Ridings is selling mainly in the Hull, Humberside, area, but is also being progressively in-

troduced in the Mansfield heartland of the Derbyshire-Nottinghamshire border. The drive into the free trade is aided by the deal with Courage to sell Foster's lager. One of the reasons for Mansfield's erratic perfor-

mance in the past has been its relative weakness in lager, the growth sector in beer which accounts for more than 50 per cent of the trade at some national brewers. Mansfield is still at about 40 per cent.

Its new cask-conditioned also selling Red Stripe, a pre-mium lager produced under Christmas trading.

licence by Charles Wells, the Bedford brewer. Mansfield's own lager is Marksman.

Operating profit in brewing and retailing is up 13.2 per cent but included for the first time are wholesaling profits of soft drinks which are now bought in. Finance charges fell by £820,000 mainly due to the soft drinks divestment.

Earnings per share were up 10 per cent to 15.4p. There is an unchanged interim dividend of 2,25p.

The City has marked up its expectations for the year to about £6.5 million pre-tax. But following an in-depth review of the group's profitability whose results are expected to continue to flow in, Mr Kirk is looking for more than £7 But as well as Foster's it is million although he says much

Storehouse pays £16m for French franchise operator

By Our Industrial Editor

Sir Terence Conran's troubled Storebouse group is paying about £16.4 million for Jacadi, a leading French franchise operator selling baby and children's wear. It has prospects for growth outside France.

A British trial is already planned for the concept which covers a similar age range to the Mothercare division of Storehouse. But it carries more exclusive ranges than Mothercare, with strongly individual in-house designs and its prices are consequently about 20 per cent higher than Mothercare.

Storebouse could even-tually be paying up to £45 million in total for the Jacadi operation if the franchised



Sir Terence: trials planned

outlets are bought out as planned and if Jacadi is successful in expanding sub-stantially beyond its home

mostly in France but with 11 elsewhere, including the United States. Storebouse plans a West German trial for Jacadi as well as that planned for Britain.

Storehouse is expected to operate Jacadi largely as a direct company operation al-though Storehouse is not a stranger to the franchise concept having nearly 100 outlets abroad for a number of its operations from BHS and Habitat to Mothercare and Richard Shops.

The precise purchase price for Jacardi will depend on 1988 profit levels. Jacadi's 1988 pre-tax profit is so far estimated at £1.8 million The acquisition is subject to French government elearance.

against £1.6 million the year before. Nct assets were put at about £1.8 million in 1987.

Evode in £8.5m car parts sale

Evode Group is selling its automotive spare parts busi-nesses to Evans Halshaw Holdings, the car dealer, for £8.5 million to concentrate on its speciality ehemicals activities. The operations being sold represent slightly more than half of Supra Group — acquired for £15 million in 1987 - in turnover terms but less than half of its profits.

Rate goes up

The Mortgage Corporation is increasing its standard rate from 12.65 to 12.95 per cent. Mr Ray Pierce, an executive director, said: "If interest rates stay at their current high level, then a further rise in mortgage rates in the New Year will be inevitable."

Stake disposal Scott & Robertson is raising £750,000 by selling its half share in Foam Plus.

Offer raised RTZ has increased its offer for

Indal, the American group, to \$298 million (£135 million). Merger plan Granges Exploration and Goldbelt Mines have agreed

Price of platinum 'to average \$565'

By Colin Narbrough

this year, but will be well higher growth in supply takes below the higher levels achieved recently in response to seasonal demand, according the seasonal demand, according to the seasonal demand to ing to Shearson Lehman for the Far East, and very Hutton's annual review of the strong demand for car emisworld platinum industry.

The price of platinum will stock levels remaining low for average about \$565 (£304) an ounce next year, after \$530 the situation should ease as

mand for platinum jewellery sion control catalysts in The metal was fixed at Europe, was accompanied this \$610.50 an ounce in London year by heightened investor \$610.50 an ounce in London year by heightened investor activity. Total supply rose to 3.25 million ounces, up from \$3.21 million.

COMPANY BRIEFS

ASHLEY GROUP (II mths) Pre-tax: £0.12m EPS: 0.61 (0.07)p

MONKS & CRANE (Int) Pre-tax: £1.22m(£1.01)m EPS: 4.4 (4.2)p Div: 1.3 (1.2)p RITZ DESIGN GP (Int) Pre-tax: £0.65 (£0.47)m EPS: Actual 5.0p (-)

CASTINGS (Int) Pre-tax: £1.14 (£0.89)m EPS: 7.2 (5.61)p Dix: 1.75 (1.4)p DUNDEE & LON.INV. (Fin) Pre-tax: \$2.07 (£1.66)m EPS: 9.02 (7.00)p

Div: 5.9 mkg 8.8p

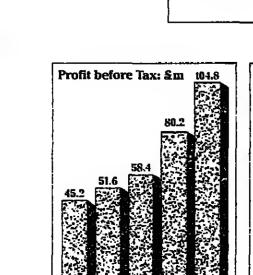
1987 pre-tax loss £0.04m. Negotiations are in progress to expand market share and increase geographical coverage.

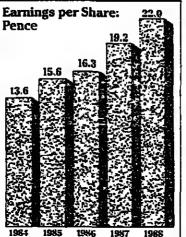
Turnover £23.16m (£17.20m). Company continues to increase market penetration.

Directors axpect to recommend a dividend of 2p per ordinary share for year to March 31 1989 Intended to be paid August 1989

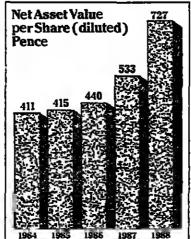
The company has continued to increase sales and profit over previous year.

1987 dividend 4.4 (6.8)p. Net asset value 350 (345)p.





Net asset value per share (diluted) 727p 533p 36.4



1987 t. S'm Increase

252.7 195.4 29.3 **104.8** 80.2 30.7

69.8 53.5 30.5

22.0p 19.2p 14.6

14.5p 13.0p 11.5

32.2 25.8

MEPC plc, Brook House, 113 Park Lane, London W1Y 4AY

Year Rates rise could mean hard line on pay, says Ferranti

Ferranti International Signal, sterling was threatening the accept low wage offers at a but is still waiting for a one of Britain's top electronics companies, yesterday admitted that the Chancellor's decision to raise interest rates could force it to take a tough line on pay claims - just what Mr Lawson had intended.

The defence contractor said bigher interest rates bad knocked £1 million from profits in the first half of the year and could cost it a further £1.5 million during the second half, added.

Sir Derek Alun-Jones, the chairman, said that the inmake your overall costs rise as
creased cost of borrowing little as possible." But he said of new orders to boost its total market Ferral coupled with the strength of employees were reluctant to order book to £1,600 million 2½p to 93½p.

company's profitability in its time of rising inflation. important export markets.

"Higher-than-anticipated borrowings and the sharp increase in interest rates worldwide have reduced anticipated profitability," Sir Derek said

examining ways of keeping its

He said: "You have to try to

Ferranti reported profits before tax of £40.1 million for jet fighter project. Ferranti

the six months to the end of September compared with £23. million the year before. The results include a

contribution at the operating Ferranti had been taking a level of £18 million from the close look at its costs and was newly-acquired International Signal & Cootrol Group. wage bill as low as possible, he Earnings per share for the group rose by 5 per cent to

decision on whether it will be involved io the new European stands to gain £400 million of work on the aircraft's radar

The company has recently won its first export order for one of a new range of sonar systems and secured other large contracts for naval systems. Shareholders collect an interim dividend of 0.76p, a 5.5 per cent increase on last year's payout. In the stock market Ferranti shares fell

Royal Bank up 57% to £309m

The Royal Bank of Scotland do not back companies just reported a 57 per cent rise in because they are Scottish." pre-tax profits for the year to September 30, np from £197.2 million to £309.2 million after

The bank's profits were helped to rise from £202 million to £270 million by a 28 a strong performance by the

clearing bank operation.
At the same time, Mr
Charles Winter, the chief executive, said that he was "bemused" by the controversy caused by Sir Hector Laing, chairman of United Bisuits. who asked the bank three weeks ago for a commitment of loyalty in the event of a hostile bid for the company.

A meeting with Sir Hector had been arranged for next week but the bank had so far given no commitment to UB. Mr Winter insisted that the bank would continue to treat all its customers equally.

And Sir Michael Herries, Royal Bank's chairman, add-We do not subscribe to the idea that Scottish institutions should always support other Scottish institutions. We

By Richard Thomson, Banking Correspondent

per cent reduction in the ordinary bad debt charge. Lending increased rapidly during the year, particularly on mortgages which rose by £500 million, with no substantial deterioration in lending

Mr Charles Winter, the chief executive, said the bank was introducing a new account "similar to one in which interest is paid on current accounts" early next year. Although the extra cost of the account would affect next year's profits, the aim was to stem the flow of retail deposits to the building societies, Mr

Winter said. Charterhouse, the merchant banking arm, showed a £4 million fall in profits to £35 million.

Ferry Pickering's paper offer, announced at the end of

October, was worth about

148p a share while Crown

came in with 160p in cash,

valuing Cundell at £28.8 mil-



Tempns, page 26 All customers to be treated alike: Charles Winter yesterday

Jefferson Smurfit Bejam rebuff for in Cundell battle

By Rodney Hobson

Jefferson Smurfit, the Irish company, has emerged as a third bidder for Cundell, the packaging group. It is making a £33.3 million offer through a subsidiary.

Terms are 185p a share lion, about £3 million above cash, with a loan note alter- the Ferry Pickering offer. native. Payment will be met from existing resources. Smurfit already owns 355,000, 1.97 per cent, of Cundell shares.

Cundell, which had recommended a merger with Ferry Pickering and rejected a bid by Crown Industrial, has switched allegiances and is supporting the Smurfit offer.

Iceland sweetener

By Our City Staff

takeover. But Bejam chairman and main shareholder. Mr John Aptborp, was unimpressed

All three bidders are also in the packaging business. partial cash alternative still made no sense. "I and my Jefferson Smurfit's offer is part of the creation of a European group of specialized

companies. Cundell will continue to operate under its present latest offer is final, has not management as a separate part of the Smurfit group.

Iceland Frozen Foods last package. Bejam shares slipped night offered a cash sweetener 18p to 170p as the stock in a bit to in the support of market had been anticipating Bejam for its £241 million a full cash alternative. The 182p.

He said Iceland's offer of a

Iceland offer is now worth

Mr Malcolm Walker, Iceland's chairman, said: "We want to do this deal but only at the right price. For four years Bejam shares traded at 160p family interest have no intention of accepting the offer," he said.

Default states a so I think we are offering a fair premium. We have introduced the cash element Iceland, which has said its partly for the benefit of small shareholders." He has imraised its terms but introduced posed a December 21 deadline

Cash call at Haden to fund £27m buys

Haden MacLellan Holdings, the engineering group, has bought six companies for a total of £27.75 million. The deals are in part funded

by a one-for-four rights issue at 165p to raise £22 million. Haden is huying five companies from Williams Holdings, and is paying £5.5 million for Butterley Engineering from Norcros.

Haden has found institutional holders for 9.86 million of its shares held by the Schroder UK Buy-Out Fund.

Sidlaw soars Sidlaw Group, the Dundee, Tayside, jute, fibre, and North Sea support group, doubled pretax profits from £2.88 million to £5.63 million in the

year to end-September. A final 4.25p dividend makes 7p. Millward up Millward Brown, the Unlisted Securities Market quoted mar-

ket research group, increased pre-tax profits for the six mooths to end-September from £851,000 to £1.16 milmooths lion on turnover of 9.43 million up from £7.42 million. The interim dividend is t.25p (1.5p).

Avis deal

Avis Europe, the car him group, is to buy for £5.91 million CG Leasing, an Edinburgh car and light commercial vehicles hire firm which operates throughout Britain.

Carroll ahead

Carroll Industries, the Irish tobacco group, increased pretax profits for the year to end-September from IRE7.73 million (£6.44 million) to tR£8.49 million. Turnover fell from 1R£280.76 million to 1R£226.93 million. A final 5.4p makes 8.2p (7.8p).

Profit leaps

Huntingdon toternational has raised pretax profits for the year to September 30 to £11.19 million from £8.93 million a year earlier, Fourth quarter pretax profit rose to £4.28 millioo from £3.27 million. The divideod is 2.25p.

RTZ purchase RTZ, the mining group, has bought Staveley Chemicals Holdings for £28.5 million from British Steel, National Smokeless Fuels and Norsk Hydro UK.

BET move BET, the industrial services

conglomerate, has added Phonotas Services to its Initial contract cleaning division for 123p a share cash into its for acceptance of the terms. | £6.1 million cash

COMMENT David Brewerton

George Davies learns a lesson the hard way

the eve of the British Steel flotation was the explosion of the myth that Mr George Davies, if not the creator (Sir Terence Conran would claim that title for himself) then the executor of Next, was as vulnerable as anyone else to the odd mistake and tough trading conditions.

Mr Davies made two vital mistakes, The first was that he allowed the analysts to run away with their enthusiasm for the Next concept. If he had any doubts that the pale-pastel-smartfogey image that began in ladies fashion could be spread across the entire retailing spectrum, he kept them to himself. Worse, he kept them from the City, and the investment analysts (which by and large fit squarely into the middle of the Next customer profile) were too eager to believe that there

would be no slip "twixt cup and lip." Only eight months ago, after the publication of results for the year to January 31 1988, the profits forecasts came tumbling out, and they ran beyond £125 million for the current year. The verbiage was even more stunning than the profits forecasts. "Last year saw a continuation of the spectacular innovation, diversification and growth that has, distinguished Next since its inception," wrote one highly experienced and wisc analyst. And he was right.

He was right, also, to raise a note of caution about the Next's ability to wrestle with a more demanding consumer environment.

But nohody prepared themselves for the drubbing that Next has taken on several fronts in recent months, and it inevitably raises the question as to whether the management had sufficiently sophisticated monitoring and control mechanisms in place.

Mr Davies' second mistake was to buy Combined English Stores. While the acquisition did achieve the additional space that the growth in the Next concept demanded as it spread along the high street from sector to sector, it gave the team a series of management problems to solve. The disposal programme has gone well, and he was absolutely right to avoid a head on battle in the jewellery business with Mr Gerald Ratner. In a bear market for selling businesses. Next has managed to secure bull market prices.

But while he was doing that, Grattan was going wrong, partly but not entirely the result of the postal strike. The Directory, billed with some justification as a unique home shopping concept, has acquired 300,000 customers and sales of £50 million, but it has still to complete a full annual cycle and the Christmas indications are that it is not accelerating as hoped.

Now Mr Davies is faced with the problem of letting the bad news out in

he last thing the market needed on rather a rush. Only a few of weeks ago. when announcing interim figures which were, at best, unexciting, the message was that "current trading on the high street continues the favourable trend of spring and summer and sales have been in line with expectations." But the second half, despite a seasonally favourable November, is proving difficult and this. "combined with a number of special factors will result in group. profits for the year being significantly lower than last year," the chairman says by way of a warning.

The special factors are the sales of Zales and other husinesses at a time which robbed Next of the best profitcarning months, the postal strike and the fact that the Directory will make a small loss. In terms of impact, the postal strike was the leading item at probably £15 million, with the selling of the businesses amounting to about £8 million and the change of accounting for the conversion options (complicated but realistic) about the same.

After the interim figures in late September, forecasts for the full year were shaded down to about the £90 million mark, already a far cry from the original £125 million launchpad. Having now been hitten for the second time, the analysts are looking for something in the £70 million area, and are fighting shy of over-egging the recovery pudding for next year.

But looking for the silver lining in side the stylish grey cloud, Mr Davies said yesterday that he was "more confident today than I was a year go." He has learned a valuable lesson, and his confidence is likely to be well placed. Next is hetter than it was, but this will have to come through in the figures before many will believe it.

Shopping for strength

number of British buyers are likely to be queuing with their shopping bags to pick up the pieces of RJR Nabisco, and they include Huntley and Palmer, the once proud British biscuit maker which was rescued from loss-making decline by Nabisco a generation ago.

The buyer is likely to be already in the same business, and the debate on merger policy which raged when Nestle was bidding for Rowntree will begin all over again. Should British companies be allowed to combine to fight in world markets even at a loss of competition at

It is a valid debate, and the only way it will be resolved is for it to go to the Monopolies Commission where all the doubts and benefits can be aired and examined. So, Sir Adrian, Sir Hector or Sir Whoever, let's put it to the test. After all, the Monopolies Commission is charged with reporting in three months. which is not too long to wait for a decision.

Carless 'talking to third party'

Carless stepped up its battle against a £212 million hostile bid from Kelt Energy yes-terday with the issue of a profit forecast for the year to March 1989 and a statement that it was in talks with a third party "which may or may not lead to an offer for the company.

In its second defence document since the bid was launched. Carless shows an interim operating profit up 92 per cent to £2.3 million. For the full year, it forecasts pre-

million), and earnings per share not less than 4.1p, (2.3p).

Meanwhile, Kelt has been refused permission to drill on its Torrance oil field in California. Kelt had planned to recover 27 million barrels of oil over a 30-year period. After protests from residents. Torrance City Council turned down Kelt's application to

Kelt, which has been trying to drill in this area for the last asset backing is of relevance to out to Kelt on the cheap".

tax profit will be not less than three years, can re-apply for Carless shareholders who are £9.1 million, (1987-88, £6.8 permission in six months, but considering accepting Kelt's. permission in six months, hut its licence expires in July 1989 if drilling has not started by chairman, said Kelt had misjudged the politics of the area but was still talking to the city

> ting a new plan. "For us, it's just a delay," be said. According to Kelt, the Torrance field is worth \$130 million (£70 million) - onequarter of Keh's total asset

council and would be submit-

offer of one convertible share and £4 in cash for every four then. Mr Hubert Perrodo, the Carless shares. There is a full cash alternative of 115p a

Carless shares closed up 1/2p at 117p. Kelt convertible

closed down 3p at 65p. Mr lan Clubb, Carless's managing director, claims Kelt's oil and gas properties are of doubtful quality, being chiefly interests in old fields nearing exhaustion. He called value of £289 million. Kelt's on shareholders not to "sell

Combined forces Europe

Two of the City's top headhunners. Korn/Ferry Inter-national and John Stork International, have got to-gether for 1992 and the anticipared surge in cross-border executive searches it will bring. Stephen Rowlinson. chairman of Kom/Ferry's UK amı who becomes head of their combined operation. iells me the husiness of hunting high-flying executives across frontiers has doubled in the past two years to about 40 per cent of his work. In the run-up to the formation of the single European market, he expects such searches to grow even more sharply. Companies are increasingly looking further afteld than their dnmestic pool of directors. Rowlinson, who gave the USnwned Kom/Ferry a strong City presence, sees London as the main port in Europe for internationally and upwardly mobile executives, and is convinced that it will remain Europe's premier financial centre until the end of the century. John Stork's \$6 million fee income will bring the merged company's billings to about \$100 million, making it the biggest in Britain.

Show case

And anyone tooking for a joh with one of Bntain's 10p enmpanies should have hung around the Old Vic theatre in Waterloo last night where 600 captains of industry and chief executives were oftending the opening performance of Voltaire's Candide. The special



Faux pas over water

The Prime Minister's insis-tence at serving British min-eral water at official functions gave rise to a bit of sharp

House of Lords. Although a practice at the Department of minion had poured the water before Mr Parkinson arrived at his seat, bottles of Buxton electricity privatization Bill. Glasses and small bottles of Perrier water were provided for Cecil Parkinson, the Secretary of State, Michael

a member of the Old Vic's management board.



"I hear the electricity board investor selectivity

gathered to hear details of the Spring Water were quickly electricity privatization Bill. substituted for the French ones, although a sharp-eyed

water in their glasses.

MIM's man

as the heir-apparent after

MIM was acquired by Britan-

nia Arrow in 1985.

preview was hosted by Goddard Kay Rogers, the country's largest indigenous head hunter. Founder David Kay is



is considering some sort of

Barratt's retreat

Thatcher's favourite house-

colleague revealed that the team were left with the French Nicholas Johnson, aged 35, the whizz-kid managing direc-tor of MIM and MIM Britannia Unit Trust Managers, has day. Barratt recalled: "My company started on Tyneside taken over the reins as chief executive io succession to Lord Stevens of Ludgate. Lord Stevens, who also runs United first house here. I certainly Newspapers which includes have a close interest in the the Daily Express and Punch, will stay on as chairman of MIM Britannia and deputy here, with prices as tow as chairman of Britannia Arrow £30,000 going up to £100,000 for penthouses." The village is and Johnson is not expecting him to take a back seat. "Although he has other husibeing huilt under the auspices of Tyne and Wear Developness commitments, this is not ment Corporation which is a big change here," said Johnson, who started his working life as a graduate trainee at Samuel Montagu. making a £7.5 million contribution. Somehow. I do not think it will become Margaret and Denis's new retreat if they There, Johnson acquired a decide to sell the Dulwich neoreputation as a Japanese Georgian establisment bought specialist - and was targetted

for their retirement.

Sir Lawric Barratt, once Mrs

builder, must be mellowing with age. The dogged, latelyreclusive knight from Newcastle upon Tyne has not appeared much on television since the Borld in Action programme which criticized Barratt's timber-framed houses was shown several years ago. But on Wednesday night he appeared on local BBC and ITV television in the northeast with Alistair Balls, Tync and Wear Development Corporation's chief executive. to plug his £26 million redevelopment of a derelictsite near Byker, on the north bank of the Tyne. Formerly a station for the Greenland whaling fleet, St Peter's Basin. which is a 23-acre site, will become a riverside village of 285 homes with a 100-vacht marina for its centrepiece. Filmed on site earlier in the 35 years ago and I built my future of Tyneside. There'll be all kinds of accommodation

Rosemary Unsworth

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Preliminary announcement of results for the period ended 1st October 1988

Copies of the Annual Report for the period ended 1st October 1988 will be mailed to shareholders shortly and will be available from

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fail at Finlan

By Martin Waller

Finlan Group, the property developer and materials distributor, has called off merger talks with Merchant Manufactory Estate Company, the Unlisted Securities Marketquoted property group, after failing to reach agreement with the board, which is led by Mr Paul de Savary, halfbrother of Mr Peter de Savary.

At the same time Finlan has annunced a sharp rise in interim profits to end-Septem ber from £624,000 to £2.01 million, split almost equally between its property and timber, and its paper and glass

WCRS, the advertising agency, has agreed to swap £1 millioo of debts owed by Finlan for new shares, boosting its holding from 6 per cent to about 10.5 per cent. The agency's involvement goes back to Finlan's acquisition in March of its subsidiary, Midtown Properties, and it now plans to hold its stake at the

Mr David Rippon, manag-ing director at Finlan, forecast further link-ups between the two companies in the light of WCRS' expansion programme which left the company needing new premises.

Finlan plans to keep its own stake in MMEC, which is currently just below 10 per cent, prompting the possibility of further talks io the

Finlan's interim dividend is raised from 2p to 2.2p.

Merger Cheating' claim from buyout team as KKR snatches victory

In one of the toughest takeover battles

seen, any pretence of rules was

dropped, leading to a \$24.88bn offer

from Kohlberg, Kravis, Roberts

in one of the roughest, most confusing and dramatic finales to a takeover battle, Knhlberg, Kravis, Roberts, the small but powerful buyout firm, claimed victory late at night in the contest for RJR Nabisco with a staggering offer of \$24.88 hillion (£13.42 billion), which would be the largest sum ever paid for a

corporation. Immediately, its competitor, an investment group led by Nabisco's top executives, said in a bitter response that it had bid more — \$25.42 billion but had been cheated out of the prize because of an unfair bidding process.

The group binted that it was oot yet ready to concede defeat hut gave no indication of what further action, if any, it might take.

It was the second time that Nabisco's board had set a supposedly firm bidding "deadline." only to alter the rules afterwards and allow more haggling.

Any pretence of rules, procedures or order was dropped on Wednesday in the battle as the auction lurned into a free-for-all.

It was a pressure-inducing technique that succeeded in sending the bids skyward.

double the size of the previous record takeover, the \$13.4 billinn paid for Gulf Oil by Chevron io 1984.

After both of the previous 'deadlines" set by Nabisco's board, the management group believed it had won, only to be frustrated io the end.

The conclusion to the sixweek spectacle was the product of a remarkably deft series of manoeuvres by KKR and some hardball tactics that, in many ways, showed Wall Street at its best and its worst. It seems certain that the

remarkable sight of America's nineteenth largest industrial company being hoisted on the auction block by its management and its board and then fought over so bitterly by some of the sharpest financial minds in the US will help make the takeover a water-

KKR, lead by Mr Henry Kravis and Mr George Roberts, the senior partners, offered a package of cash and securities worth \$109 for each of Nabisco's 227 million shares. In addition, it will pay \$108 for each of the company's 1,3 millioo nutstanding shares of preferred stock.

Winning hand: George Roberts, senior partner at KKR

and the management-led billion of debt, more than the

group had emerged as the remaining twn bidders in the auction, which forced the hidders into uncharted territory - levels where the risk of suffering losses just to complete the deal grew substan-

For Nabisco's sharebolders. the outcome will be shortterm profits. But for the giant consumer products company, it will meao an uoprecedeoted debt burden and result in its breakup.

At the current bidding level, the company would be sad-Early on Wednesday, KKR dled with more than \$20

combined national debt of Bolivia, Jamaica, Uruguay, Costa Rica and Hooduras.

At the bidding "deadline" of 5pm on Tuesday, KKR was ahead with a bid of \$106 a share for each Nabisco share, a total of \$24 billion.

KKR worked through the night with the advisers to Nabisco's board to fashion a final merger agreement, assuming it had won.

On Wednesday morning. bowever, the management group madea oew bid of \$108 a share, or \$24.5 billion, and

ered no matter what the original "rules" of the competition had been. To KKR's chagrin, a special committee of directors running the auction allowed the group to submit the new offer, setting up the real showdown.

At about midday, both bidding groups and their key advisers were put into conference rooms and told they had 15 minutes to come up with a final proposal.

At that time, both offered proposals worth more than \$108 a share, according to people with knowledge of the alks. In both hids, more than 90 per cent of the purchase price would be in the form of money borrowed against the assets of Nabisco, a type of transaction known as a leveraged buyout

In the contest, one way the groups managed to increase their bids was by reducing the amount of cash that shareholders would be paid and iocreasing the proportion that would be paid in the form of new securities.

At this stage, less than \$85 of the purchase price for each share would be in cash. lo addition, both contenders had offered about \$8

billioo more than the first buyout proposal for Nabisco. It is a price that will leave the conglomerate extremely vulnerable to any fall in business.

Nabisco's products include Ritz crackers and Winstoo and Camel cigarettes.

(New York Times)

International offer will raise £276m for HK Telecom

From Stephen Leather, Hong Kong

lerday that it is selling 877.5 Markets. millioo shares in the crown colony's largest share sale.

The company has the franchise to provide the Hong Kong telephone service until 1995 and its international services notil 2006. It contribnics almost three-quarters of the profits of Cable and

It is the largest company quoted on the Hong Kong stock market and intends to raise HK\$4 billion (£276.43 million) by selling the shares at HK\$4.55 each in Hong Kong, the US, Japan and Europe. The offer will be split with 575 million shares for Hong Kong, 100 million for Japan and Europe, and 202.5 million for the US, where the company is applying to have the shares listed in the form of American Depository Receipts on the New York Stock Exchange. It is underwritten by Prudential Asia Capital, Baring Brothers and Wardley

The US offer has been underwritten by Prudeotial-Bache Capital Fuoding, Bar- December 14.

Corporate Finance.

Hong Kong Telecommunica- ing Securities, Goldman Sachs tions officially announced yes- and Merrill Lynch Capital

The international offer has been underwritten by Prudential-Bache Capital Funding and Baring Brothers as lead managers and by an unnamed international underwriter.

At present Hong Kong Telecommunications is 79 per cent nwned by Cable and Wireless. 11 per cent by the Hong Kong Government and 10 per cent is in the hands of Hong Kong shareholders.

After the share offering, the Cable and Wireless stake will be reduced to 75 per cent, with the Government stake dropping to 7 per cent and the public holding rising to 18 per

The issue received a boost vesterday with the news that a China-backed trust fund is buying more than 10 per cent of the shares reserved for

Application lists for the shares close on December 7 and the basis of allotment will be announced on December 9, Share certificates and refund payments will be posted on

Nectar Cosmetics in £6.3m facelift

By Robert Rodwell

years ago in Ulster, yesterday announced a £6.3 million expansion which will treble its workforce and create 300 jobs at Carrickfergus, Co Antrim.

Supported by the Northern Ireland Industrial Development Board, the expansion will involve a 50,000 sq ft factory and warehouse to be completed by next August. They will replace Nectar's premises in a redundant Courtaulds synthetic fibre some years.

Nectar supplies 57 franchises in the United Kingdom and Ireland, Sweden, Norway, Italy, Malaysia and Singapore. lts recent growth resembles that of Body Shop, its direct competitor in the natural cosmetics business.

A further two outlets open in Britain this weekend, at Coventry and Northampton. Others will follow this month port 90 per cent of its raw don, and Dunfermline, Fife. packaging, the haulage service The company forecasts the opening of 30 franchise shops

Nectar Cosmetics, the fast-growing natural beauty prod-nets business, started five peoetration of the oorth American market with others opening in Canada.

> Nectar is owned by Mr Alan Nocher, Mr Bill Waring and Mr David Smyth, its three founding directors. It was initially supported by a local venture capital company. Mr Eric McDowell, the IDB chairman, said Nectar was ooe of the largest "borne-grown" industrial expansions by a locally owned company for

> With development of its formulas done almost wbolly in-house Nectar is now technically equipped to tackle any market in the world. Its range includes cosmetics developed for ethnic groups. "Oddly enough, the demand for ethnic cosmetics came oot initially from abroad but from Birmingham," Mr Nocher said.

> Though Nectar had to imexcellence means its location has not been a disadvantage.

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The imminent acquisition of Citizens Financial Group in the USA and our commercial links with Banco Santander Group in

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS			
Results for the year	Year to	Year to	0/ /0
to 30th September, 1988	30.9.88	30.9.87	Change
Profit before taxation	£309.2	£197.2m	57
Profit attributable to			
ordinary shareholders	£192.5	£128.2m	50
Total assets	£21.7bn	£19.1bn	13
Earnings per 25p ordinary share	67.1p	45.0p	49
Dividends per ordinary share	15.0p	12.7p	18
Dividend cover (times)	x4.5	x3.5	29

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- Dividend raised by 18% to 15p.
- Earnings per share increased by 49% to 67.1p.

operations, travel services, insurance and investment management.

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Sir Michael Herries, Chairman, The Royal Bank of Scotland Group plc.

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STR	3,080	Fleons	3,050	MEPC	995	Smrth WH	2,73
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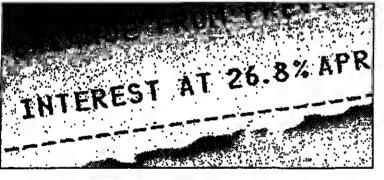
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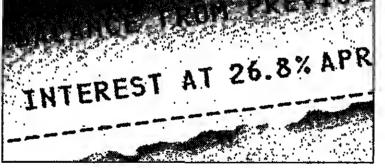
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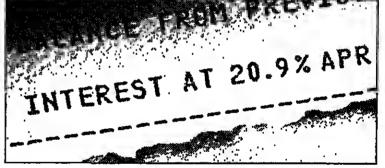


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The Nikkei index fell 37.44

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down. Turnover was 1.5 bil-

lion shares against 1.6 billion.
Advances were led by

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• Hong Kong - Prices closed slightly higher after another

active day with property

shares again leading the mar-

ket, brokers said. The Hang

Seng index gained 8.73 points to 2,668.03 and the broader-based Hong Kong index was

Turnover reached HK\$1,17

billion (£81.15 million) com-

pared with Wednesday's HK\$1.13 billion.

A share analyst said: "Tech-

9.29 higher at 1,765.90.

kers said.

STOCK MARKET Investors stay on the sidelines Prices dip Profit-takers stem

the bulls and bears showed few signs of resolving itself yesterday as share prices continued to fluctuate wildly in thin conditions.

Last week's bad trade figures and the 1 per cent rise in base rates to to 13 per cent remains prominent in investors' minds. The City fund managers are in no rush to test the water. They appear content to leave their money in the bank. One broker said: "Why risk it in a nervous equity market?"

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Prices made a dull start, still suffering from the effects of a £100 million sell programme on Wednesday evening, carried out by Phillips & Drew for one of its clients.

Talk of a £130 million sell programme - this time by County NatWest WoodMac did little to soothe frayed nerves yesterday.

But a few cheap buyers enabled prices to close above their worst levels. This was reflected in the FT-SE 100 index, which, having been 20.7 down at its lowest point, reduced the loss to 13.7 at 1,778,7. The narrower FT index of 30 shares finished 7.8 lower at 1.450.2.

Dealers say that the un-settled conditions bode ill for the British Steel flotation. The IG Index, the City's financial bookmaker, was quoting the partly-paid price at 63p - a premium of just 3p and barely enough to cover the stags'

dealing eosts. Application lists are due to close at 10 am

today. Government seenrities ended little changed on the

GEC, which has linked up with Siemens, the West German industrial group, to launch a £1.6 billion for its rival, Plessey, was one of the few bright features, clinging on to an early rise of 4p at 177p. By the close, almost 6 million shares had changed hands. This followed reports of heavy call option business which saw the equivalent of more than 500,000 shares absorbed by call option activity.

Dealers said that there had been demand from Tokyo with investors prepared to pay "out of the money" for the January 180p series. At current levels, the share price would have to rise hy at least

BOM Holdings, formerly Bristol Oil & Minerals, is hoping to raise £16.4 million by a rights issue of three ordinary shares for every two held, or 62 shares for every £1 of convertible loan stock, at 21/2p each. Half the issue is being underwritten by the company's brokers.

10p before investors could expect to hreak even.

underperformed the rest of the market in recent years amid growing criticism of its £1 **SEC** Attracting support in Traded Options market

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billion-plus cash mountain. Some analysts claim that the group has become a "sleeping

Lord Weinstock, GEC's managing director, has been thinking of 1992 in launching his hid for Plessey. But vague talk in the market-place claimed that GEC could find itself on the receiving end of a hid before long. It has even been suggested that Siemens may decide to try to snap up both GEC and Plessey. Cashrich Hanson is also known to be on the look-out for acquisitions. It plans to increase

its borrowing powers. Still worried by the prospect of a monopolies referral, Plessey spent an unsettled day hut managed to close un-

changed at 209p. Hanson firmed a fraction to 154p. Racal Electronics also put in a late rise, to close all-

Unigate rose 3p to 285p in sympathy with Cadbury Schweppes. But dealers are increasingly concerned about the spread of Bovine Spongiform Encephalopathy, a brain disorder, among dairy herds. The Govern has already ordered all farmers not to sell milk from

cows showing symptoms. square at 263p, ahead of fullyear figures during the next account Some brokers are forecasting a rise of about 50 per cent to more than £62

million and claim that the

group appears to have recovered from recent problems.

But shares of Racal Telecom Group, which was floated off

from the parent company this year, remained friendless with the price slipping another lp

Reuters, the international news agency and financial information group, managed to reduce an earlier fall to finish just 3p lower at 461p, after 459p. The group last night addressed a presentation of analysts and fund managers in New York. Brokers have become increasingly alarmed about the contraction of financial markets around the world since the crash.

In stores, Next tumbled 20p to 136p following the news of the group's profits warning. Mr George Davis, the chairman and chief executive, said that difficult conditions in the second half and other problems would result in profits being "significantly lower" than last year.

Dixons, the high street electrical goods retailer, lost an early lead to finish 21/2p lower at 142p. A group of overseas hasinessmen has been trying to put together a consortium, aimed at launching a lever-

aged buyout of the group.

The consortium would like to sell the retail operation, helping it to finance the deal and allowing it to concentrate on the property portfolio.

Michael Clark

share advance rates fear

(Reuter) - Shares fell in moderate, early trading yes- started on November 16 (Reuter) - Share prices fell terday as profit-takers moved yesterday after reaching a record traded high as bullishin after recent gains which produced a 75-point rise in the Dow Jones industrial average ness was overwhelmed by concern over the pace of in two weeks. recent gains and possible higher US interest rates, bro-

Investors moved to the report on US unemployment, throughout the day. traders said.

points, or 0.13 per cent, to 29,541.46. It rose 260.60 The Dow average fell 6 points to a record close of outnumbered advances hy two to one.

29,578.90 on Wednesday. It reached a traded high of 29,683.74 yesterday morning, boosted by Wall Street's threetechnical analyst at Tucker marker 19.5 to 1,489.0.
Anthony, RL Day, said: National turnover day rally. The previous high, set on Wednesday, was 29,579.87. They are taking some profits in advance of the unemployment numbers." Rises and fails were almost

But he sees the rally which continuing until the end of the

The Dow average closed 12.98 higher on Wednesday, • Sydney - The market suffered its fourth consecutive sidelines in advance of today's fall as shares drifted down

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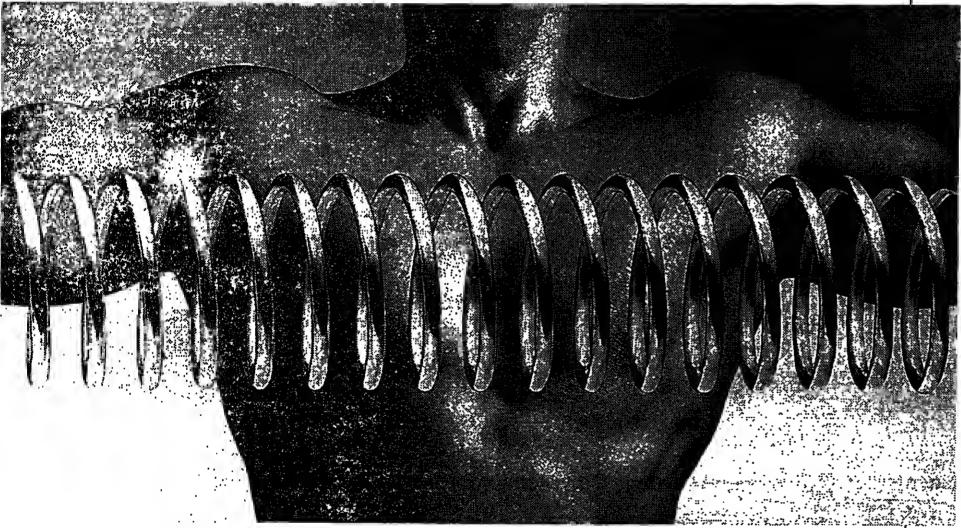
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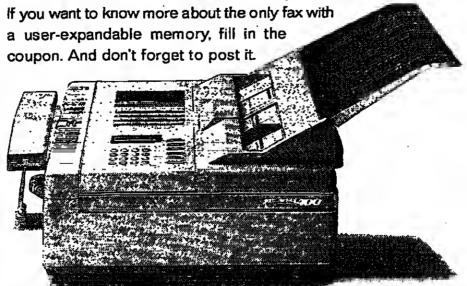
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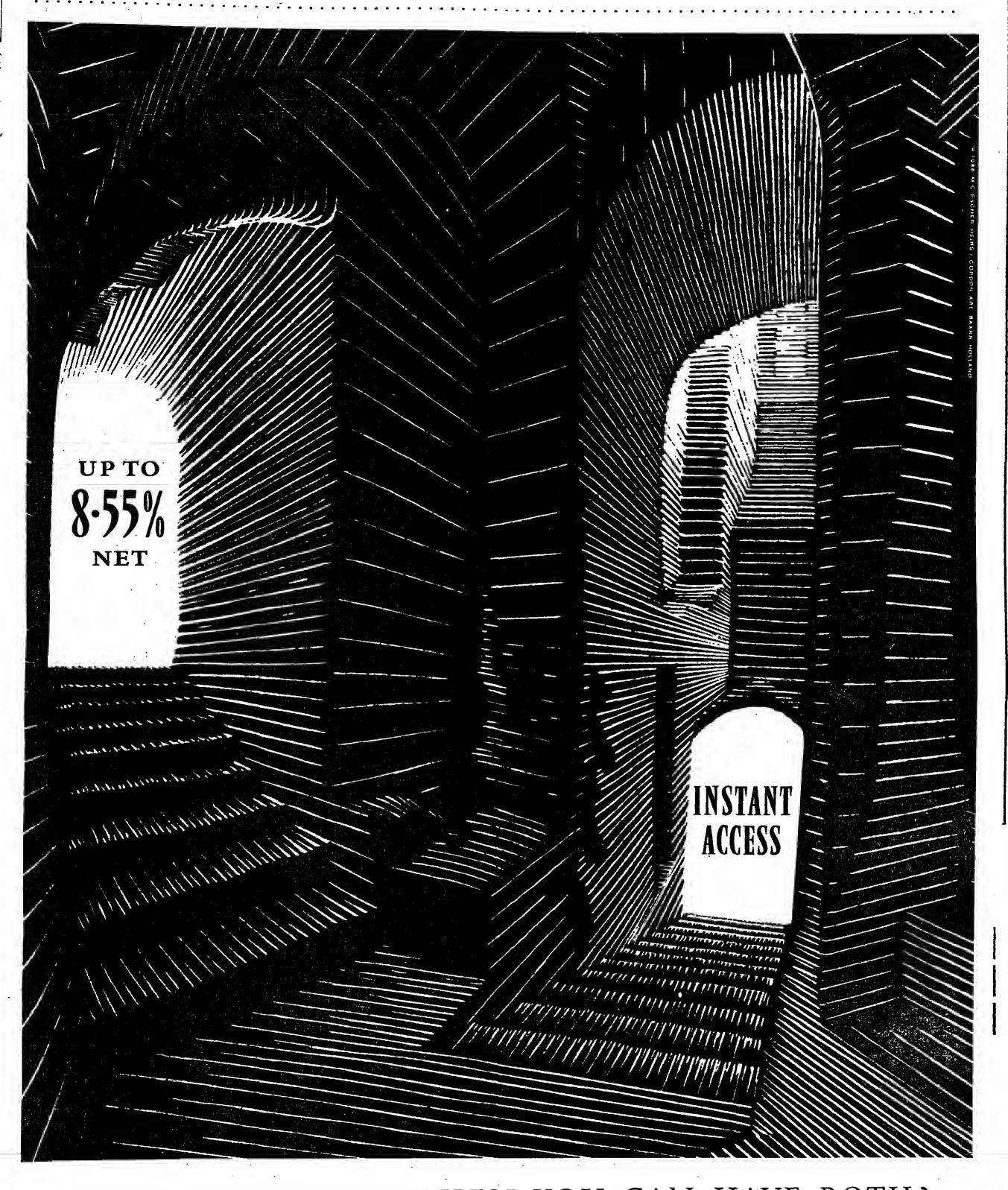
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One's company - by law?

A change in the law that would allow one person to set up a company has been formally requested by the Chartered Institute of Management Accountants, writes Brian Collett. The requirement that at least two people must form a company is a deterrent to many individuals who want to go into business, says the institute.

When the Companies Bill now proposal to change the requirement, the institute made a submission to the Department of Trade and Industry. It maintains that the second person in a company is often, anyway, a friend or relative who becomes a sleeping

The institute's spokesman said:
"It has been a longstanding central core of our approach to the Government to try to cut through

The European Community has recently been testing opinion on the subject, and the institute argues that the change would bring Britain into line with many European countries where one-person companies are permitted.

The institute is also asking the Department of Trade and Industry to reduce the administrative burdens on small businesses by requiring them to obtain certification for their accounts instead of baving them andited annually.

Rock on for a fancied ride

By Roger Pearson

hen Paul and Christine Crittenden went Christmas shopping to buy a rocking horse for their daughter Natalie three years ago they were appalled at what they saw, "All the horses on offer looked ferocious — fierce enough to frighten a young child half to death," Mr Crittenden, aged 33, said.

Now, however, he is hard at work remedying this situation. And in the process he is carving a name for himself in the international toy market with a new breed of friendly-faced rocking horse. He has established a com-pany to manufacture high-class

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"Him? - he deals with all the

rocking horses and be and bis wife expand too rapidly nearly killed are now expecting a £100,000-plus turnover in their third year.

When he discovered he could not find a suitable rocking horse for his daughter, Mr Crittenden. who at the time was a craft lecturer at Basford Hall College, Nottingham, decided to try his hand at making one for her.

"Looking back now, that first horse was very crude," he says. But people who saw it then starting asking if I would make horses for them. That gave me the idea of going into business manu-facturing rocking horses."

He gave up his lecturing post

and two years ago moved to Kent to set up his own business. Today his hand-made rocking horses sell all over the world and can be

Chestnuts - which is based in 900

q ft of converted oast houses at Chilham, near Canterbury - has not been a smooth one. The high quality of his product has beloed him through the rough patches. But there were occasions early on when costly mistakes were made because he and his wife, who is also his partner in Chestnuts, lacked basic business

skills and marketing knowledge. Thousands of pounds were wasted initially on the wrong sort of advertising and an attempt to

the business.

But despite the early problems, Chestnuts has now established itself as one of the major suppliers of quality rocking horses, both to the toy trade and to individual buyers. The firm's breed of rocking horses have become thoroughbred sales winners.

When it began, the business was capitalized with £2,500 left from the sale of a house and a £5,000 bank business development loan. About £2,000 went on tools and £1.500 on materials. Over the first six months a further £7,000 went

on advertising.

"Advertising was our most expensive mistake," says Mr Crittenden. "It was a complete waste of time and money. We sold found in stores such as Harrods.

Mr Crittenden admits that the road to success for his company, advertise at all."

> n its first year Chestnuts sold 25 horses, ranging in price from £475 to £1,800. These sales, along with some renovation work on old rocking horses, produced a £27,068 turnover. The next 12 months saw the sale of another 60 or so horses, achieving a turnover of more than double the first-year figures.

This year, with outlets like Harrods and a chain of high-class 10y shops, on top of a steady flow of sales to individual customers,



Paul Crittenden: Outlets in high-class toy shops

the forecast is that turnover will easily top £100,000. The current range starts at £225 for a glass fibre horse and rises to £2,750 for a fullsized horse, carved out of walnut. Mr Crittenden says that the single worst drawback in setting up Chestnuts was lack of business skills. He had a product and the skill and facilities to produce it, but ancillary business administra-

tion was a major problem.

In the end he called on the Government's Small Firms Service for assistance and says: "To be honest they saved the busi-ness." In addition to this his wife

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attended business courses and now the administrative problems have been overcome. Expansion is

But Mr Crittenden's advice to any with an idea which they believe offers entrepreneurial scope is that it is essential to ensure that they tackle the basics of running a business first.

He says he has learnt from experience that while failure to do this may not kill the business if the product is good enough, it will certainly make the road to success that much harder.

A link in place of the divide

Medium-sized and smaller businesses are expected to benefit most from a Buy from Bradford," campaign launched in Yorkshire but with Thames Valley links. Derck Harris writes.

Behind the campaign are the Bradford Enterprise Agency, Bradford Chamber of Commerce and the Bradford Metropolitan District Council. The main thrust of the campaign is to secure more work for Bradford businesses in supplying goods or services to other companies in the area. The Bradford area buys £2,000 milion-worth a year, of which only £400 million comes from local sources, and £300 million from West Yorkshire. About £400 mil-lion-worth comes in from abroad. But the Bradford campaigners have also weighed up the prospeets further south, where in the

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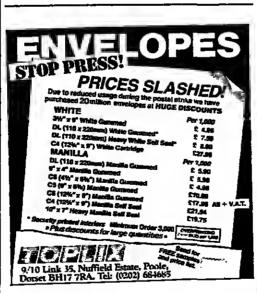
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In the boroughs of Part Talbot, West Clamorgam, and Ogiet. Mid Clamorgam -Work No. 8 - A railway (592 metres in length) at Celn Cribeet, being a deviation of Extension railway, lincluding a bridge over Bedford Road.

In the London borough of Greenwich -Work No. 9 - A partial reconstruction of the lunnel of Woolwich Dockyard fallway

in the London berough of Lewisham. World Nos, 10A, 20d 10B - Widenings of railway bridges and viaducts at Lewisham High Street, and Bil Rood and the Ravensbourne Riveri In the borough of Cariford, Kent -Work No. 11 - A widening of the railway bridge over Overy Street.

2. For the purpose of the construction of Work No. 1 mentioned in paragraph 1 ab authorised by the Bri (No. 2) Act 1984.

3. Special provisions in connection with the construction and maintenance of the proposed works, including provision of railway stations of Vive Street. The Hawthorms and Smethwick in connection with works from 1, and 1, and the appropriation of certain works for the purposes of those works and the station at Vive Street, power to construct and operate level crossings over Crives Law, and Tiltord Road in connection with Work No. 5, to provide heatings for the repair and servicing of railway vehicles in connection with Work No. 4, to raise the level of the conducted private road and public footpath linking connection with Work No. 4, to raise the level of the conducted private road and public footpath linking Statistics Lame with property at Arabity Mondows by bridging Work No. 5, and to marrow the northern footway of Rebon Road, set book a retaining woll and the North No. 5 and to marrow the northern footway of Rebon Road, set book a retaining woll and allows the law of the property of the northern footway of Rebon Road, set book a retaining woll and allows the law of the property of the northern footway of Rebon Road, set book a retaining woll and allows the law of the property of the northern footway of Rebon Road. Set book a retaining woll and the long that the law of the retaining the permanent or temporary stopping of roads, bridleways and footpaths so stopped up.

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Purchase of land or rights over land in the areas of the Works referred to in paragraph 1 above turchases of land at Birmingham for the provision of access, at the Hawthorns for the provision of the railway station referred to in Paragraph 2 above and at Woodwich Dockyard railway station for the provision of the set best retaining well) and also at Preston and Quidenham for the purposes referred to in paragraph 3 above: temporary possession or use of, and access over, land at Birmingham, Kirdby in Ashirleit and Gedlingh and Senethwick: special provisions as to auty and opperastion and general provisions for the extinction or suspension of private rights of way over lands to be purchased or thed.

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AND NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that plans and sections of the intended works and plans of the land white may be purchased or used ander the intended Act, with a book of reference to those plans, as sliciting the following areas, have been deposited for public inspection with the appropriate officer of the area concertoed on follows.

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1. To authorise A.B. Ports to construct the following works in the county of Humberside.

Party to the city of Kingston upon Hull and parity on the bed and foreshore of the river Humber.

Work No. 1. A terminal of open construction, comprising a curved shore ramp commencing by a junction with Eastern Access Road up the Port of Hull Estate at the corner of that road situate south of the cent wall of Queen Edusabeth Dock thence leading into the river Humber first south and then west through a bridge ramp and portal 75 metres in length, and there terminating.

Work No. 2. A terminal of open construction, comprising a curved shore ramp commencing at the river wall of a point \$15 metres each of the south-west corner of the pumping station (straked east of the riverward end of the enhance lock to King George Dock and Queen Elizabeth Dock, there leading first south and there terminating. Work No. 3. A terminal of open construction, comprising a curved shore ramp commencing at the river wall at a point 358 metres west of the riverward end of the staid entraince lock, thence leading first south and then west through a bridge ramp and portal 75 metres in length, and there terminating. In the city of Kingston upon Flut.

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those Works Nos. 1, 2 and St to connection with Works No. 4, to authorise the stopping up of the peri of Corporation Road within the limits of land to be acquired shown on the deposited plans, and the connection with any of the works) of any other roads, footpaths or bridiways in tands accurred within those limits; and to provide for the road forming part of Work No. 4 to be opened for public use and to be maintained at the public expense.

To authorise dredging in connection with the works, to provide limits of jurisdiction for A.B. Ports' Dock Master of Hull for relation to those works and to apply thereto rules, reautations and byelaws for Hull Docks; and to apply ferreto rules, reautations and byelaws for Hull Docks; and to apply for the works certain powers of enactments relative to AB Ports, including powers for subsidiary works, deviating from the lines and levels of the works on the deposited plans and sections, and for lighting the works and to provide for disrepand of recoil improvements and interests and for extinction of private rights of way.

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Steering into the Nineties

Four-wheel steering: a turn for the better or just a gimmick? asks Daniel Ward

s it wise to have a car's rear wheels steer at the same time as the froot pair? And, if it's such a good idea, why do not the likes of Mercedes and Porsche offer four-wheel steering?

Such scepticism of a seemingly radical development in car design is oot surprising the first fourwheel-steering for production cars, introduced by Honda and Mazda a year ago, were quickly dubbed mere gimmicks by rivals. Most manufacturers claim to

have experimented with the concept - Audi did so 16 years ago and have come to the conclusion that four-wheel steering has few advantages and many snags.

Tiny sales of cars equipped with the system underline the time it will take to convince motorists of the real benefits.

However, the mood is slowly changing and history may well reveal that the Japanese have started a major change in car engineering. Dr Wolfgang Linke, engineering director of VW, forecasts: "In the mid-1990s fourwheel steering will be essential for top level cars."

He says the benefits of the system will be improved highspeed handling and, io a swipe at the Japanese, comments: "When your chassis is excellent you can improve it with four-wheel steering." The implication is that if a



Parking with panache: four-wheel steering on the Honda Preinde 2.0:-16 makes light work of tight parking

car has only mediocre handling to wheel steering believe that the begin with, four-wheel steering may only bring it up to the best of

the cooventional models.

Even in 12 months, views among engineers have polarized. The main advantages are claimed to be a significantly reduced turning circle to aid parking and improved stability at high speed when cornering or having to swerve in an emergency. European converts to four-

For this driver, Honda's mechanically activated four-wheel steering felt like n natural solution from the very start. It may not satisfy the purist engineer, but it seemed to me to carry the double benefit of adding convenience to the business of parking and increasing security in openroad manocuvres. The unison movement of the wheels clearly assists rapid lane-changing on motorways, making the Honda a very deft mover indeed. At parking speeds, the counter-steering

improvements at high speed are much more important than easier manoeuvreability. If a Honda or Mazda is parked close to a kerb the turned rear wheels can foul the kerb and make it hard to move away. Dr Linke adds: "At low speed the action of the tail of the car is impredictable."

When travelling at speed, steering all four wheels means the car will react faster, and more

smoothly, to small movements of the steering wheel. However, Audi engineers argue that such characteristics make it much more diffi-cult for the driver to judge accurately when the limit of cornering adhesion is being ap-proached. They believe it is better for the car to retain its con-ventional feel and handling when entering a corner. Then, if the vehicle is travelling

too fast and could spin, this is

effect — perhaps this is true "opposite lock" — combines with well calibrated power-steering to remove a great deal of effort. I was not so taken with Mazda's electronic system: perhaps the softer set-up of the 626 renders the benefits less obvious than they seem in the taut and generally well puttogether Prelude. The 4WS Mazda proved rather less fun than its 2WS equivalent on n test track, while its performance on a special statom course was not markedly superior. Richard Williams

detected by electronic sensors which signal the rear wheels to provide corrective steering.

Importantly, the driver would be aware he has over-stepped the mark because he would need to turn the wheel more to maintain course, and the car would not spin.

Four-wheel steering could prove very useful for motorway driving in gusty conditions. Mercedes is researching a system whereby the car is able to sense the strength of the side wind and automaticaly steer the rear wheels to maiotain an arrow-straight course.

The two Japanese systems work quite differently. In the Honda Prelude the steering gear for the rear wheels is directly linked by a shaft to the normal front-steering rack. Mazda relies on a more sophisticated electronic "brain" to control the rear wheels while the front axle is steered in the conventional way. Experts regard it as the better solution though it has fallen foul to fears of cootrolling a car electronically — "drive-by-wire" — and the authorities have refused to allow the Mazda to be sold on the German market.

As the Honda driver turns the steering wheel up to 140 degrees the rear wheels turn two degrees in the same direction as the front wheels. Only when the driver turns the wheel further towards full lock do the rear wheels switch to the opposite direction from the front wheels, reaching a maximum of four degrees. The theoretical disadvantage is that when turning a tight corner the rear wheels will

ioitially steer the "wrong" way. What of the future? It seems that four-wheel steering will turn from being a "gimmick" "goodie" in five years.

Nova GTE: the smooth-revving Astra l.6 engine takes it to 117 mph

Go-taster hatchbacks

The Vanxhall Nova and Citroen AX hatchbacks are typecast as bland, committee-designed Euro-boxes, noted for reliability rather than appeal. But the launch of "gofaster" GT versions has subjected this due to a surprising trans-formation, writes Daniel Ward. Until this summer the fastest

Nova was the 1.3 SRi which lacked performance and any real style or nppeal. In an effort in take on the Peugeot 205 GTi, the benchmark car for this class, Vnuxhall has fitted the 1.6 litre fuel-injected Astra SRi engine into the Nova. Matched to a close-ratio gear-

box, the 100 bhp engine powers the squat Nova GTE to a top speed of 117 mph, and accelerates to

60 mph in less than 9.5 seconds. The Peugeot (£9,115) is faster but more expensive than the GTE (£8,512) whose smooth-revving engine provides excellent all-round performance. There are more refined rivals, yet the Nava feels like a real driver's car with sharp, tant handling and powerful brakes. Supportive sports seats, well

executed colour-keyed spoilers and door sills complete a un-

expectedly competent machine. Alongside the Nova, the Citroën AX GT (£7,003) looks disappointingly unprofessional. The test car boasted a mass of add-on grey plastic used to distinguish the GT from lesser variants, though these parts are now wisely colour-keyed. The interior is an odd combination of practical parcel shelves and cubby holes designed for the busy mother of three, and black shiny plastic everywhere to confer some sportiness. The seats are supportive to the point of clamping the driver's torso in place.

Without alloy wheels it is significantly cheaper than the Nova and this is reflected in its engine specification. The 1.4 litre unit has a power output of 85 bhp (carburettors rather than fuel injection) but such is the light weight of the AX that it can out necelerate the Nova to 60 mph (around nine seconds).

Using the superb gearbox to the full, the GT accelerates hard, yet will cruise happily and in reason-nble quiet at high speed.

Any sportiness on demanding roads is blunted by vague steering. which lacks accuracy close to the straight ahead position, and the softness of the suspension.

A lack of durable solidity remains a Citroen failing and by comparison the Nova is well finished. The Citroen was designed as a cheap and effective small car and fits this role better than that of a hot hatchback.



Out in front: the Tipo (1400 above) beat both the Cavalier and Passat

The Car of the Year award, motoring's answer to the Oscar, is reckooed to add 100,000 sales to the winning model across Europe. Yet the accolade from 58 journalists in 17 countries provides oo certainty of commercial success, writes Daniel Ward.

Fiat's Tipo takes the Oscar of the car world

Cars such as the Renault 9 and Chrysler Horizon have won the award in the past and failed dismally on sales, while others the Ford Escort in 1981, for example — have gone on to great success. The quirks of the award is evidenced by the VW Golf managing only a runner-up position.

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This year's winner is the Fiat Tipo, clearly ahead of the Vauxhall Cavalier and VW Passat. A roomy interior, striking styling and a 70 per cent galvanized body

proved suitable attributes for a competition in which functionality and value for money are important. Fiat last won the award in 1984 with the clever Uno.

The BMW 5 series, Renault 19 and Alfa 164 completed the top six. Volvo should be coocerned that its new mid-range 440 model managed only eighth place.

Buyers like Japanese cars, but for the moment journalists vote en masse for European models leaving the Honda Civic, Mitsubishi Galant, Toyota Carina II, Mazda 121 and Mitsubishi Colt Lancer effectively nowhere.



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Samuel Beckett may have won his Endgame, Diane Hill writes, but the sounds of battle linger on

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with his addition of music. As a

consequence, the set of this much

heralded new entry into the Comedie Française's repertoire is

oow respectfully draped in grey

dust sheets, there is nn music, and

Bourdet's name is on langer no the

emhroitment (one that gained Beckett the public support of Fernando Arrabel, Eugène Io-nesco and Arthur Miller) is an

hour and fifty minutes of brain tingling "Bourkettian" theatre.

Beckett's published stage direc-tinns are strictly followed but the play has a comic veneer that still bears Bourdet's brushstrokes.

Ostensihly now undirected, the

cast of Fin de Partie come

magnificently ioto their own.

Beckett's begrudgingly subservient, shuffling, long-suffering

Clov and egotistical, insecure,

hlind, chair-ridden Hamm are

there in spirit, hut they belong

body and soul to Micbel Aumnot

and Ruland Bertin, who form a

grotesque variety hall act, a mu-

The result of this unprecedented

programme.

Hamm's aged parents, Nell and Nagg (intuitive performances from Berengere Dautin and Jean-Paul Mnulinnt), take oo the air nf A handful of days before opening night, Samuel Beckett exercised twn stooges, popping nut of their pied-à-terre dustbins, bang on cue his "moral rights as an author" and let it be known that he was oot in agreement with Gildas Bourdet's personalized direction of Fin de Partie (Endgame), or with the feed-lines. There are a lnt more laughs than with his strawberry pink design, or

one remembers from previous productions of the play, which is a continuation of Beckett's preoccupatioo with the illusion of time, of characters caught io a limbo, mnving towards a death that never comes. Bourdet's cootentious interpretation saw it as a "shattering play about love . . . an amorous catastrophe . . . ".

Bourdet, a greater disaster is that Beckett coodemned the productino nut of hand, without seeing it. After the recent success of L'Eloignement (The Distancing), Loleh Bellno's oew play *Une*Absence (mnre accurately interpreted as Something Missing) comes over as a lukewarm affair. It follows the emotional threads of her previous six plays, the first of which was Les Dames de Jeudi in

1976. In Une Absence the human relationships which go awry are centred round Germaine Meunier, an elderly, retired schoolteacher who collapses io her bedsitter. The actino opens as she regains conscinusness in hospital. Her memory is painfully jogged back into place by a cheerful chappie

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A mutant, apocalyptic Morecambe and Wise: Roland Bertin (left) and Michel Aumont as Clov and Hamm

male ourse, the garrulnus concièrge who found her, an adoring ex-pupil and an obnoxinus

It is oo to this ill-assorted quartet that Germaine projects her inner consciousness. In her head they act nut the eveots that misshaped her life, taking nn the left he, and the nuly son, whn oow

lives in America.
The characters on stage pass, without preamble, from the realtime of hospital life through to the remembered times in Germaine's head, a transition which Bellon manages with a verbal adroitness which is not carried through by Maurice Benichnu's messy direc-

tion. Bellnn wrote the play with Suzanne Flon in mind for the role of Germaine. Consequently it is tailnr-made for her birdlike physical fragility, her quietly powerful dramatic presence. Despite Flnn and an excellent supporting cast, however, Belino's message about marriage is drowned by the play's lnw-key dramatic drabness

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huying public beynnd.

The impression at this performance was of a mao whn was trying too hard. A three-hour trying too hard. A three-hour show, including 30 minutes of blatantly scheduled "encores", was far too long and seemed something of a conceit for an act which boasts nn hit records on

which boasts in introduced of the Atlantic.

The pudding was systematically nver-egged throughout. A feat of logistical planning was required before each number could begin as nearly everyone on stage changed instruments (sometimes there were up to four people playing guitar). Earle introduced some of the songs with rambling discourses, usually about himself how he had been born in San Antonio, moved to Hnuston and then to Nashville where he had become a production-line songwriter. The parallels with a Springsteen show were unmistakable and intentional, but Earle's lack of magnetism left him suffer-

ing from the comparisoo. Nothing was said about his

recent incarnation as a dayen of

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the New Country marketing exercise. Fnr. with a disconcertingly chameleon-like case, Earle has oow become a born-again rocker. In his black shirt and trousers, his lnng, laok hair ill-contained by a black headband, he looked like a refugee from Mntorhead, an impression confirmed by the heavy metal iconography of the skull and crossbones motif which comprised the backdrop.

Despite such over-ambitinus and stylistically confused pretensinns, the makings of a great show were there to be distilled. His acoustic roots contioued to run deep and strong nn "My Old Friend The Blues" (he paid tribute to the Proclaimers' versinn) and "The Devil's Right Hand". His croaky, distinctively Southern singing style was the perfect vehicle for country rock gems like "San Antonin Girl" and "Guitar Thwn", and with his oew single "Jnhnny Cnmc Lately" he achieved a genuinely fresh fusion nf country, folk and rock.

He introduced "Snake Oil", he with some cliches concerning the similarities between showbusiness and politics, and cancluded that with a band as good as the Dukes behind him he could sell us anything. The iodividual playing was indeed of a fine order, particularly that nf the light fio-gered keyboardist Ken Moore, but that did nnt prevent a steady drift towards the exit well before the listless finale of "It's All Up Tn

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Soldiers' disarming gallantry

The current obsession of 40 Min-ates (BBC2) with women in uniform might raise eyebrows, were the series not edited by that pillar of probity. Edward Mirzoeff. A fortnight ago we met a handful of doughty WPCs going about their lawful business in Birmingham; last night it was the turn of lady soldiers in Northern Ireland.

The Ulster Defence Regiment is the only unit in the British Army where women assume an equal role with men, and their equality consists of taking the same risks but without benefit of weaponry. From the outside this looks patronizing enough; in practice it obliges each soldieress to lean on the arms of an accompanying

The claim by one such lance-corporal that in battledress she might as well be a bloke was a special case of wishful thinking. In a sniper's cross-hairs the woman is readily identifiable as the one without the rifle.

But perhaps everything in Ul-ster is a special case. A colour sergeant shown demonstrating to her fellow "greenfinches" the art of removing a handgun taped to a suspect's thigh without muddying the fingerprints would, one assames, have different daties in Colchester or Aldershot. Women soldiers in the province are routinely employed for this purpose, a vital role on a level, say, with that of sniffer door. of sniffer dogs.

The three females interviewed had little resentment to offer on this score, and no instances of male prejudice. As with the earlier film on WPCs, one waited in vain

to hear the men's side of the story.

Since the sexes resolutely ignored each other on camera, there was no clue as to how their relationship works. "Most Ulstermen are chauvinistic" is doubtless fair comment, but the chief question that exercised the female jects was the unpardonable leniency of the courts.

Martin Cropper

After three new productions given

by London City Ballet at Bromley

this week, it is Swan Lake, the most ambitious, that proves most

successful and shows the company

whole-heartedly danced, but Mar-guerite Porter's choreography for

The Garden of Eros, is hland in its

fluency, leaving the dancers to tell its slight story by heavy attitud-inizing between the over dec-

orative steps. With its music by Lekeu (his violin sonata) and

splashy setting by Robert Heindel, it has an old fashioned feeling to it.

Frank Staff's Transfigured

Night dates from 20 or more years

ago, although new to Britain. Its

story of family obsessions leading to murder is intensely told, al-

though Antony Tudor (Staff's

obvious ehoreographed model)

got a lot more detail into his more

sophisticated ballet to this same

The Swan Lake has been pro-

The two shorter pieces are both

at its best.

David Robinson on a festival which shows the experimental boldness of film-making pioneers, 1910-1920

Eloquence of silence

was the art without a nast. Before art, of course, it was industry - and an industry to which the obsolescence of its product was more than usually vital. Added to the industry's vested interest in oblit-erating old product to make way for the new was the extreme vulnerability of film stock to destruction and decay of one sort or another.

All this has changed in recent times. Television revealed the vit-ality and profitability of films half a century old and more. Eight years ago the resurrection of Napoleon stimulated a new movement of reclamation and restoration of old films, as well as a world-wide passion for orchestral performances of silent films. Film history became a fashion for amateurs as well as academics. The cinema began to find its past again.
Since 1982 the world focus of all

this activity has been the annual festival of silent cinema – the Giornate del Cinema Muto – in Pordenone, where an ever-grow-ing number of enthusiasts and experts — this year there were around 500 — gather to view the movie art of the past in strenuous, day-long, 15-hour sessions,

Pordenone is a small town in Friuli, between Venice and Trieste, with a picturesque old centre of arcaded streets and an ugly suburban spread dominated by the Zanussi factories. Zanussi which might have been expected to support the festival, keep their distance - perhaps recognizing that they too represent an industry whose interest lies in the rapid obsolescence of its product. The event is modestly subsidized by official regional and national cultural and tourist bodies. Its vitality and glamour are mostly due to the voluntary efforts of the very young en thusiasts who organize it.

For all the academic distinction of its participants, Pordenone is an exceptionally jolly and enjoyable event, simply because the films themselves were made to give pleasure, and still, seen on their own terms, mostly do so. Pord-

Lively, credible action

DANCE

duced by Patrice Bart after the version which Vladimir Bour-

meister mounted in Paris in the

1950s. In its time this serious re-thinking of the traditional ballet

was a great revelation, and many of its ideas have been taken over

by subsequent producers: the buil-

ding up of Rothbart's share in the

action, the prologue showing how he turned Odette into a swan, the

more dramatic treatment of storm

It provides a very creditable

alternative to the productions offered by the larger British com-

panies, and Bart has adapted it

well to the resources of this small

company. He is helped by Peter

and conflict in the final scene.

London City Ballet

Churchill, Bromley



enone had, for example, redis-covered in the vaults of the Czech Film Archive Hell Bent, a Western made by John Ford in 1918 when he was 23. Fast-moving and hugely entertaining, the qualities of the later great Ford westerns were already evident - an ability to shift from robust comedy and endearing human touches to

scenes of breathtaking spectacle. The programme this year con-centrated on Hollywood cinema between 1910 and 1920, one of the least known periods of film history, and yet, as Pordenone demonstrated, one of the most formative. It was a period of rapid expansioo in the film business, which witnessed the creation of Hollywood, the building of great picture palaces, and the changeover from little one-reel comedies and dramas to the full-length "feature" film.

It is revealed also as a period of bold experiments in visual and

Cazalet's handsome designs, som-

bre but rich settings and attractive

Particularly successful is the way the stage is suddenly filled with a flood in the last scene,

nearly overwhelming Siegfried be-

fore love finally triumphs over

evil and Odette is restored to him

The dancing is more notable for

its total effect than any individual

performance, except perhaps Paul

Watson's sprightly and unusually

sympathetic gesture. Everyone in

the company seems committed to

making the action lively and

credible. Jane Sanig on Wednes-day made a tremblingly innocent Odette and gloating Odile. Derek

Deane, a guest from the Royal

Ballet was a somewhat stolid Siegfried. I wonder why Bour-

meister gave his hero such bad

manners in the opening scene and

whether other casts will find a different nuance to explain this.

John Percival

in human form.

narrative styles. Most of the people were young - many to become major Hollywood figures in the next decade - and were game to try everything. The best of the films still stand up as entertainment: movies, it seems, have learnt little new in the 70 years since the First World War.

famous "sensational" film of 1913, Traffic in Souls, about the white slave traffic in New York, turns out to be a very effective police thriller, given added spice since real New York cops play their own roles. Maurice Tourneur's A Girl's Folly provides wonderfully satirical picture of life in a film studio of 1917 showing that the pretensions and vanities have changed little.

It is interesting to glimpse the qualities that made great reputations. When the Clouds Roll By, a crazy comedy about a young man obsessed by superstitions, makes

us understand what Douglas Fairbanks's contemporaries meant when they talked of the "tonic" virtues of his acrohatic acting. It is harder to retrieve the qualities of a voiceless Sarah Bernhardt; hut one moment in the over-upholstered Queen Elizabeth (1912) indicates something of her magic: as she watches the execution procession of Essex pass her window, she stands, her hands arrested in mid-motion, frozen in

a stillness that is still eerie. Technically, too, these films had little to learn. A print of a 1910 Italian film of Salome - rediscovered in London by Anthony Saffrey of Filmsearch — is exquisitely coloured by a stencil process. The tricks and special effects of Maurice Tourneur's 1918 versioo of Maeterlinck's The Blue Bird are as magical as they are beautiful,

Tourneur (1876-1961) was the director specially featured in this year's festival. Born in France (his

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he worked as assistant to Rodin

and Puvis de Chavannes before

drifting into films. In America he

was put in charge of a studio at

Fort Lee, where French emigres,

including the great art director Ben Carrê (the current stage

productions pays homage to Carre's designs for the first *Phan-*tom of the Opera), predominated. Tourneur brought to the early

American film a strong coovictioo

of the paramount importance of

beauty. His films were designed,

ht and composed in a deliberate search for aesthetic effect. Some of

them, like Trilby and Prunella (from the musical play by Gran-

ville Barker and Laurence Hous-

man: Tourneur had a penchant for

literary adaptation), have a fas-cinating period style: others, like his Last of the Mohicans, are

visually superb by any standard.

musicologist, Gillian Anderson, conducted the original

1920 score for D.W.Griffith's Way

Down East. The musical compila-

tion was often, hy present stan-

dards, kitsch; but there was inesc-apable excitement in seeing an authentic performance as the first

audiences saw the film. Another

woman musician, the Rumanian emigree Violeia Dinescu, con-

ducted her own original and inventive accompaniment to

British musicians figured prom-

inently in Pordenone, alongside

the phenomenal resident pianist

Carlo Moser, who frequently plays

non-stop for periods of 10 or 12

hours without losing his excep-

tional sense of synchronization.

Not a little of the success of When the Clouds Roll By was due to the

spirited improvisation of Richard

McLaughlin's Cine Chimera

group. Traffic in Souls and A Girl's

Adrian Johnson's one-man or-

chestra. Johnson, like Moser and

McLaughlin, is a musician whose

skills in silent film accompani-

ment are rapidly gaining inter-national reputation.

Folly had live accompaniments by

F.W. Murnau's classic Tabu.

ne of Pordenone's spe-

cial delights is its live musical presentations.

This year an American

Schoenberg wrote of "Brahms the progressive"; here, alongside two Brahms rarities, we heard the work of "Schoenberg the regressive". The question that came to mind frequently, during the Second Chamber Symphony and even more during the dreadful Suite for Strings, was "what on earth did he think he was doing?" In the early key-oriented works, the shifts from tonality through ambiguity to atonality and back are often dynamic, creating cnormous tension.

Similarly baffling are his attempts in the Suite at diatonic tunes. An unnamed wit referred to Schoenberg Orchestral Variations as "Brahms with the wrong notes"; the Suite could equally be the 12-tone Schoenberg with the notes "corrected" by an unimaginative academician. The results are bizarre or, more often, stultifyingly artificial. They were given determined, if not deeply enthusiastic performances by Jane Glover and her London Mozart

It was a relief to turn to the mnch earlier "Song of the Wood Dove", in Schoenberg's own reduced arrangement. Mezzo-sopr-ano Elizabeth Lawrence begun a little hesitantly, with some of the tenseness and mannerism that marred the early stages of Brahms's Alio Rhapsody still apparent. But she built to a terrifying cry at the climactic vision of death. Fine singing from the gentlemen of the London Choral Society enriched the concluding section of the Alto Rhapsody.

Stephen Johnson

Alkan Centenary

Purcell Room

Not many people are devotees of Charles-Valentin Alkan's music, but the fans gathered on Wednesday to mark the centenary of the reclusive Parisian's death and the 175th anniversary (to the day) of his birth. Excitement is not quite the word, but there was certainly an air of necrophilisc expectation as we awaited the British première of his Funeral March on the Death of a Parrot.

Alkan used to be remembered as the composer who died when a bookcase fell on him (not true). There are still plenty of good mysteries about his life. Where did he disappear to for 20 years? Why did he suddenly renounce his glittering career as a piano vir-tuoso? What is the truth about his

illegitimate son? The music is eccentric enough. The Funeral March, for instance, is scored for three weirdly swirling oboes and a bassoon, accompanying a choir (the Kentish Opera ngers, under Mark Fitz-Gerald) which sings only the enigmatic words: "As-tu déjeuné, Jaco? Et de quoi? Ah." It is like a clumsilyexecuted caricature of Berlioz in a macabre mood.

An epic Sonate de Concert, heroically attempted by the cellist Christopher Bunting and the pianist Ronald Smith, is superficially more conventional, especially in its energetic, Beethovenian developments. Yet even this has one of the most frantic and bizarre finales in the chamber

We also heard British premieres of Alkan's Benedictus and Im-prompts sur le choral de Luther, both originally written for pedal-piano. Since pedal-pianos died ont about the same time as Alkan's parrot, these massively-textured contrapuntal exercises were ahly delivered on two pianos by Caro-line Clemmow and Anthony

Richard Morrison



Passionate for freedom

THEATRE

The Churchill Play Barbican Theatre

When it first appeared io 1974, Howard Brenton's play packed a double punch: as an assault on a sacred national myth, and as the dark vision of a British gulag archipelago. The play correctly forecast the miners' strike and the election of a hard right government. Since then we have moved perceptibly closer to the world of "Churchill Camp", at least in its crackdown on the freedom of expression. The play fully de-serves its first and long overdue main stage RSC showing.

Unfolding in the epic space of a disused hangar (magnificently designed by Kit Surrey), Barry Kyle's production proves its undimin-ished theatrical impact. The opening scene of Churchill's awakening from the dead, followed by the revelation that he is an actor rehearsing a prison show, is one of the great moments in post-war drama. Here, as throughout the production, Kyle supports the imaginative extremities of the writing with the most down-toearth military and diplomatic

What has been lost is the play's prophetic quality. As a political dramatist, Brenton is apt to launch an argument and then foreclose it with gut reactions: a process further exposed by the rewriting of the new text. In updating the piece to the 1990s, his



Play-acting prisoners: Phil Daniels (left) argues with Colin Welland only new state victims are van-

dals, industrial occupationists, and those who cheat on British Telecom. They stand for no particular disruptive element; and even those who do are oddly

Irish Mike (Phil Daniels) deelares he was a union man - "I had dignity" - and expects to be taken seriously. But set that against the line of the former skinhead Sergeant Baxter (Geoffrey Freshwater) who recalls beating up puh victims to gain respect,

for which we are invited to see him as a walking embodiment of the

British plague. Now that freedom of speech has become the central issue, the plot itself rests on a central cootradiclion, namely that a camp where troublemakers are unceremoniously done away with would allow the inmates to put on a seditious show about a national hero for the entertainment of a parliamentary committee.

Emotionally the piece rings with generous and authentic passion; and when Colin Welland, as an imprisoned editor, speaks of lost freedom, he carries as much weight as when declaiming Churchill's victory speech.

Irving Wardle

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Couples establishes a slender lead with flawless round

Golf Correspondent

They came to praise Jack Nicklaus and Greg Norman but, as the Bicentennial Classie began here on the delight-Iul Royal Melbourne course, it was Fred Couples who won over the crowd of 18,000.

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Couples began with a 66. compiled with technical brilliance and a smattening of good fortune, to take a oneshot lead over Mike Colandro, a lesser known American, and Jumbo Ozaki. of Japan. Nicklaus, despite being two under par after five holes. eventually put his signature to a 75 and Norman took 73.

This was an important day in the history of Australian golf. A new tournament, with record first prize of £250,000, had been spawned by the bicentennial celebrations. David Inglis. the in-spiration behind it, was justifiably proud. He is eager to make the Birentennial Classic an annual affair: however. on a beautifully clear day a shadow of doubt was cast over the event.

It would appear that Mark McCormack's International Management Group (IMG) has a vested interest in the future of the Classic. It stems from Inglis selling to Frank

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ner, the Australian Masters, which together they masterminded and organized. Williams subsequently sold the event to IMG, for which he The confusion arises from a

clause in Inglis's sale agreement with Williams. James Erskine, a vice-president of IMG, said: "There is a fiveyear moratorium on David Inglis holding another tournament within a 50-kilometre radius of Melbourne." Inglis, however, remains

defiant. "The Classic will be played here next year," he said. "We are prepared to go to court on that. The contract which I signed was with Frank Williams, not IMG, and he has already verbally released me from that clause in the

"I only want to run this one tournament in Australia whereas IMG want the entire Tour. I understand that only from Inglis selling to Frank two days ago they acquired the Williams, his previous part- New South Wales Open and

Woosnam five strokes adrift of Americans

Bophuthatswana (Agencies) — Ian Woosnam, who capped his record-breaking feats of 1987 by winning the Sun City \$1 million gling in defence of his title.

His opening round of 72 left him five strokes behind the Americans, Ken Green and Don Pooley, who are four strokes clear of David Frost (South Africa) and Mark McNulty (Zimbabwe) in the race for golf's biggest individual pay-day.

Pooley was threatening to spreadcagle the field and beat the course record of 65, held by Severiano Ballesteros, when he completed the first nine holes in 31. But as threatened rain finally arrived, he dropped shots at the 15th and 15th holes. "Nothing was going wrong until the rains

came, then I had trouble," Pooley said. Green started with seven

consecutive pars but a birdie at the eighth hole and an eagle at the ninth were the making of his Sharing fifth place with

Woosnam, who turned in 36 and birdied the last to avoid dropping a stroke, is another South African, Fulton Allem. Chip Beck, second in the American money list, could do no better than a 74, which put him two strokes ahead of the eighth and final competitor, Bernhard Langer, who had to take a penalty drop at the fifth and drove into water at the

lian Open, the Australian Masters, the Australian Skins and the Test Match. You don't have to be Einstein to recognize they want to take over Australian golf."
The pity is that there should

be a dispute in the first place and that it should be made public at the time when the tournament is taking place. It is a matter of pure conjecture which party will win, if any, or whether or not it will be resolved in the courtrooms. What must concern all connected with the game is that once again there appears to be a political undercurrent which golf could do well without.

All of which is no concern of Couples. He is eager only to gain a victory which is becoming increasingly elusive. In eight years as a professional, he has won on only three occasions and not once outside of his native United States, where in 1984 he enjoyed his finest moment by claiming the Tournament Players' Championship.

Couples, aged 29. has on occasions given the impression that he lacks interest. Nothing could be further from the truth. He is an enthusiast of the game, a great competitor, and he has a profound understanding of what it is all about. "The British Open is what I really want to win more than anything else," he said. "It can be windy at that Championship, it can be wet but I really enjoy it. It's different. It has everything."

Couples had six birdies in a flawless round which included sinking a bunker shot of 20 yards at the 18th. Norman was unhappy with the pass of the greens, observing that they vere oot a slick as normal, but Ronan Rafferty, who took 70, was insistent that they were as fast as was necessary. Howard Clark also took 70 but Gordon Brand jnr had 74.

FIRST ROUND (Australian unless stated):
65: F Couples (US), 67: M Colandro (US), J
Ozaki (Japan), 68: B Crenshaw (US), P
Sensor, R Daws, 69: J Benepe (US), H
Irwin (US), 70: C Saddler (US), S Verplank
(US), H Clark (Gäl, 8 Ogle, R Rafferty
(GB), B Hugnes, I Baker-Finch. I Meshasi
(Japan), G Marsh. 71: C Parry, M Reid
(US), O Pohl (US), F Foley, S Simpson
(US), M McCumber (US) 72: S Elkington,
K Trimble, J Cook (US), J Stuman (US), P
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Smith, D Graham, R Mackey, Other British
score: 74: G Brand pn. FIRST ROUND SCORES: 67: K Green (US), O Pooley (US), 71: M McNutty (SA), D Frost (SA), 72: F Allem (SA), I Woosnam (GA), 74: C Beck (US), 76: B Langar (WG),



RUGBY LEAGUE

Centre aims for excellence

mony were luminaries including Bob Ashby, the chairman of the

board of directors of the Rugby League, and two members of the

parliamentary group of MPs, Roger Stott, of Wigan, and Lawrence Cunliffe, of Leigh,

The young players who come to the centre will get the best possible coaching. The staff will be beaded by Phil Larder, the

Rugby League's national direc-tor of coaching, and an experi-

centre will be administered by Dennis McHugh, the dev-elopment officer for Rugby League of Wigan Metropolitan

"Centre of excellence" sounds bold, and when the first such rugby league establishment opeced in the iodustrial town of Leigh yesterday, Maurice Oldroyd, the oational administrator of the British Amateur Rugby League Association, was at pains to justify such fulsome

words.
Surveying the three pitches, one floodlit to league standards and one for mioi-rugby. Oldroyd said: "This centre will bring the outstanding young athletes from all parts of the country to receive top-class coaching which will develop their natural abilities and skills and make them first-class sportsmen io every sense of the

word,"
The centre owes its creation and existence to two local authorities. The former Greater Manchester council provided the initial grant of nearly £250,000, and the centre will be ruo and funded by Wigan Metropolitan Borough Council.

The guests were taken on a conducted tour of the centre,

which includes Wigao's part of which was formerly sports ground belonging to Brit-ish Insulated Callender's Cables. oeighbouring and rival town of Leigh in its administration area. The centre of excellence re-In addition to the three pitches, there is a fully-equipped modern gymnasium and weight training room, four dressing rooms, a medical centre, bathrooms and alizes a dream for Maurice Oldroyd and BARLA officials, and its importance io rughy league can be gauged by the fact that at yesterday's opening cere-

a sauna. Professional sides have already used the Leigh centre io anticipation of yesterday's of-ficial opening, the most distin-guished being Malcolm Reilly's Great Britaio tourists before they set off to Australasia last

Before the establishment of the Leigh venture, Carnegie College, in Leeds, was used as the main training centre, and the centre of excellence has used the outstanding features of Carnegie as models. Maurice Oldroyd cited three youngsters who had passed through Carnegie, Ellery Hanley, Garry Schofield and Andy Gregory, and said: "That is the sort of world-class player we will cootinue to produce."

YACHTING

Defeat of Gilmour buoys the hopes for Warden Owen

Buoyed by their success against Peter Gitmour, of Australia, in the finals of the Nippon Cup match-race championship in Jamatch-race champions of in Ar-pan, Eddie Warden Owen and his Gold Plus crew travel to Perth at the weekend with high hopes of winning the world

champiouship.

Their 2-0 win marked the second victory in n row over Gilmonr, who swept nil before him during earlier rounds of the grand prix circuit.

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Racing purpose-built, 36-foot
Bruce Farr designs, the two
rirals also face strong challenges from Chris Dickson, nf
New Zeatand, and Rod Davis
and John Kolius, from the

United States.

Another skipper determined to do well is Tim Law, who drew one of the wild card entries. He one of the wind card entries. He has teamed up with his brother. Chris, in a late challenge thanks to his colleagues at Lloyds. They have underwritten the £6,000 travel costs and are banking on a return from a share of the \$25,000 pring money. \$25,000 prize-money

Marina challenge George Walker, who plays host this weekend to the Route of Discovery transatlantic racers at his Porto Sherry marina, near Cadiz, is backing plans for an ocean race in ulternate years to the Fasnet classic.

The 1,100-mile event will

cross the Bay of Biscay, linking Brent Walker's two marinas. It will be organized by the Royal Ocean Racing Club and start from Brighton in July 1990.

Long measure New Zealand's rival Whitbread Round the World Race skippers, Peter Blake and Grant Dalton are angry at the decision by the Offshore Racing Council (ORC)

mnuth, and Blake's 85-foot frac-tional ketch-rigged Steiniager II is expected to measure a foot over the limit when it is launched nn December t8. Rear-Admiral Charles Wg. son, chairman of the race, which is organized by the Royal Navy Sailing Association (RNSA) has written to the ORC asking it

tage for vachts checked by the newly adopted machine mea-

Surement system.

Dalton's 80-foot maxi, Fisher.

and Pykell, has been forced to

withdraw from the Sydney to Hobart race at the end of the

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tn postpone implementation its rule and to return to the more necurate manual measurement for a further year.

If not, the New Zealanders,

sensing victory in their battle-ngainst San Diego over the America's Cup, have threatened to take the RNSA and the ORC

Parting shots

Frank V Snyder, Commodore of the New York Yacht Club, has that the former America's Cup holders have involved themselves in the court battle only t trying to win the cun back.

In an affidavit to Judge Carmen Ciparick before she brought a close to evidence on Wednesday, Snyder wrote that his club denies and resents San Diego's inference that they have nn axe to grind.

Snyder's parting shot was: "If San Diego's purported defence was improper, as the New York Yacht Club maintains, then I know of no other resolution than to award the cup to New Zealand by default."

CYCLING

Roche goes for treble

Stephen Roche, recovered from the knee injury which kept him out of competioon for much of

the tours of Italy and France and the World Professional Road Race - which be achieved in

After months of uncertaioty, the Irishman remains with bis sponsors, the Spanish Fagor company, but he will be without Malcolm Elliott and Sean Yates, both racing to new colours next year. The squad's third Briton, Robert Millar, has still to reveal his plans for 1989.

On his way to Killarney yesterday to compete in the two-day Lakes car rally, Roche said the season, has set bis sights that he was "a little dispin for next year.

His racing programme will be built around repeating one of cycling's rare triple victories — Fagor. "But Sean has his reached and the season, has his reached and the season, has been has his reached and the season, has his reached and the season, has set bis sights that he was "a little dispinion of the season, has set bis sights that he was "a little dispinion of the season, has set bis sights that he was "a little dispinion of the season, has set bis sights that he was "a little dispinion of the season, has set bis sights that he was "a little dispinion of the season, has set bis sights that he was "a little dispinion of the season, has set bis sights that he was "a little dispinion of the season, has set bis sights that he was "a little dispinion of the season, has set bis sights that he was "a little dispinion of the season, has set bis sights that he was "a little dispinion of the season, has set bis sights that he was "a little dispinion of the season, has set bis sights that he was "a little dispinion of the season, has set bis sights that he was "a little dispinion of the season, has set bis sights that he was "a little dispinion of the season, has set bis sights that he was "a little dispinion of the season, has set bis sights that he was "a little dispinion of the season, he was "a little dispinion of the sea sons; we just have to accept that," Roche said.

Roche was also keen to have the American, Greg Lemond the former world champion and Tour de France winner, in his team but Fagor did oot agree.

Roche has been invited to contest the Tour of the Americas next year but has not yet-accepted because it clashes with races in Spain.

House of Lords

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House of Lords

Reasonable to expect child to be accompanied

Regina v Devon County Council, Ex parte George Before Lord Keith of Kinkel, Lord Brandon of Oakbrook, Lord Oliver of Aylmerton, Lord Goff of Chieveley and Lord LOWTY

[Speeches December 1] A local education authority had transport to and from school for a boy aged nine who lived 2.8 miles away. The authority had been entitled to conclude that it was reasonably practicable for the boy to be accompanied and tn take that into account in reaching its decision.

The House of Lords allowed an appeal by the authority from the Court of Appeal (Lord Donaldson of Lymington Master of the Rulls, Lord Justice arker and Lord Justice Taylor) t The Tunes March 22: 119881 3 WLR 49) who had reversed the decision of Mr Justice Mann dismissing an application by the boy. Christopher Noel George tby his stepfather and next inend Mr Paul George), for udicial review of the authority's

The Education Act 1944 provides by section 36: "It shall he the duty of the parent of every child of enmpulsory school age to cause him to receive efficient full-time education . . . by regular attendance at school or

By section 39: "(1) If any child of compulsory school age who is registered pupil at a school fails in attend regularly . . . the parent . . . shall be guilty of an

"(21 . . . the child shall not be deemed to have failed to attend regularly . . . (ct if the parent proves that the school . . is not within walking distance of the child's home, and that no suitable arrangements have been made by the local table. been made by the local education authority . . . for his transport to and from the

means, in relation to a child who has not attained the age of eight years two miles, and in the case of any other child three miles, measured by the nearest available route.

By section 55: "(1) A local education authority shall make such arrangements for the provision of transport and otherwise as they consider necessary ... for the purpose of facilitat-ing the attendance of pupils at schools . . . and any transport provided in pursuance of such arrangements shall be provided free of charge.

(2) A local education authorry may pay the whole or any part, as the authority think fit, of the reasonable travelling expenses of any pupil ... for whose transport no arrange-ments are made under this

"(3) In considering whether or not they are required by sub-section (1) above to make section (1) address to make arrangements in relation to a particular pupil, the local education authority shall have regard (amnings) other things) to the age of the pupil and the

nature of the route, or alter-narive routes, which he could reasonably be expected to take." (Section 55(2) was amended by section 11 of and Schedule 1, Part I to the Education (Mis-cellaneous Provisions) Act 1984. Subsectioo (3) was added by amendment under section 53 of the Education (No 2) Act 1986, which came into force oo

Mr Conrad Dehn, QC and Mr Raymond Cox for the authority; Lord Campbell of Alloway, QC and Mr John Friel for the boy. LORD KEITH said that the

boy's route to the school was rural, unlit and without n foottractors, milk tankers and cattle ragons. The council's policy on school

transport was set out io a document including a paragraph 3(d) revised oo March 12, 1987: Transport to be provided without charge to children within the statutory walking distance where (i) having regard amongst other thiogs to the age of the child and the nature of the he could reasonably be expected to take, they consider it necessary for the purpose of facilitatiog his attendance at school; (ii) an authorized officer of the school health service certifies that transport is required for a child on medical grounds; (iii) the director of social services advises that there are nverriding social needs that make the

(iv) the education committee decides, on the merits of a particular case, that special arrangements should be made." The minutes of the council's school transport panel's de-cision of March 18, 1987, read: "We have had regard amongst other things to Christopher's age (nine) and the nature of the route which be could reasonably be expected in take. We are satisfied that the route in question which is 2.8 miles long and therefore within the statutory walking distance for a child of

that age is one which an accompanied child can walk and walk with reasonable safety and that the council is oot required by section 55(11 ... to make arrangements in relation to him. "Further in our opinion this is not a case where in the council's discretion transport should be

provided free of charge. None of the circumstances set out in paragraphs 3(d)(i)-(iv) of the council's policy exist. "There is no suggestion that Christopher is not a normal healthy boy for his age. We would expect n child of Christopber's age walking this route to be accompanied but are not

satisfied that it would not be reasonably practicable for one of Christopher's parents to ac-

company him or otherwise se-cure his regular attendance at The reference to the child being accompanied clearly had an eye to the decision of the House in Rogers v Essex County Council ([1987] AC 66, 78) where Lord Ackner had said:

"A route to be 'available' within the meaning of section 39(5) must be a route along which a child accompanied as necessary can walk and walk with reasonable safety to school. It does not fail to qualify as 'available' because of dangers which would arise if the child is unaccompanied."

To "facilitate" (section 55(1)) meant to "make easy, promote, belp forward" (Concise Oxford Dictionary). In In re an Inquiry under the Company Securities (Insider Dealing) Act 1985 ([1988] AC 660, 704), Lord Griffiths, io a different cootext, had paraphrased "necessary" as "really needed", which was a belpful way of expressing the concept

The question under section 55(1) regarding pupils living within the statutory walking distance was whether the authority considered arrangements for free transport to be necessary for the purpose of facilitating their attendance. Obviously free traosport every such pupil easier, however close to the school he or she happened to live, but that could not determine the matter. It was for the authority, and oo one cise, to decide whether free asport was really needed for

attendance at school of particular pupil. That must depend on the authority's view of the circum-stances of the particular case, to which it was directed by section 55(3) 10 have regard. Its func-55(3) 10 have regard. Its induc-tion in that respect could be described as a "discretion", described as a "discretion", although it was not, of course, an unfettered discretion but rather in the nature of an

the purpose of promoting the

Mr Justice McCowan

meaning of that Act.

[Judgment November 28]

Activities carried out before the

sections of the Financial Services Act 1986 which em-

powered the Secretary of State for Trade and Industry to

investigate a businessman's af-fairs when he considered there

was good reason to do so came

preliminary point in an applica-

tioo by a businessman for

judicial review of the calling by

the secretary of state for the

disclosure of documents said to

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into effect could not be "invest-

that pupils within that distance would normally walk to school but would be provided with free transport if the authority purpose of facilitating their

His Lordship could find oothine in the council's policy document inconsistent with that

It was apparent that the school transport panel bad taken into account Christopher's age and the nature of the route, io particular its length. The senior assistant education officer had inspected

There had been material on which the panel might properly have concluded that it was reasonably practicable for the boy to be accompanied, io respect that his stepfather had stated in an affidavit that he was unemployed and available for

the purpose.

There was nothing to suggest that the panel had oot been exercising a judgment as to whether free transport was necessary for the purpose of facili-tating Christopher's attendance at school.
It had been argued oo his

behalf that the matter of the accompaniment of a child was relevant only to the availability of a route under section 39(5) and that an authority was not entitled to take into account under section 55(1) even the possibility of a child being necommanied.

transport.

obliged to provide free rather in the nature of an exercise of judgment.

The intention of Parliament clearly was that pupils living outside the state pupils living the state of the sta

provided with free transport and might have to do to that eod, such as seeing that the child got up in the morning and set out in reasonable time. In the case of an unwilling child, it might be occessary for the parcot to take the child to school.

lo general, the parent had to do those things that were reasonably practicable to he dooe and that an ordinary prudent parent would do. That might include accompanying the child where it would be uosafe for it to go

unaccompanied. If a child lived 100 yards from school but the route iovolved crossing a busy trunk route, and the parent, although available to do so, refused to accompany the child and refused to allow the child to go to school oo the ground that it would be dangerous, the pareot would be guilty of an offence under section 39(1); neither paragraph

(a) nor paragraph (b) would

It followed that Parliament had cootemplated that in appro-priate cases a child would be accompanied to school. So a local education authority was fully entitled, when making a decision under section 55(1), to there were any circumstances that prevented its being reason-ably practicable for the child to be accompanied to school over a route that would fall to be treated as not available to an It had oot been demonstrated

nccompanied. So, if a route, however short, was unsafe for an unaccompanied child, the authority was the present case been unreasonable.

Lord Brandon, Lord Oliver, Lord Goff and Lord Lowry

outside the statutory walking dance at school. There were for Mr W. A. Burkinsh distance would in all cases be various things that n parent Exeter, Teacher Stern Selby. **Pre-Act activities are not**

'investment business' Regina v Secretary of State for pursuance of powers vested in Trade and Industry. Ex parte him by section 105(4) of the Financial Services Act.
Mr Anthony Arlidge, QC, Mr
Peter Rook and Mr David Before Lord Justice Mustill and

> retary of state.
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> LORD JUSTICE MUSTILL said that the definition of "investment business" involved a statutory qualification ex-pressed io Schedule 1 to the 1986 Act and that the powers of the inspectors appointed by the secretary of state under section 105(t) were confined to the time when the party was carrying on the investment business to

Chivers for the applicant; Mr William Charles for the sec-

The Queeo's Bench Di- which the documents, whose visional Court so held as a production was demanded, were said to he relevant. Section 105 would not work retrospectively to read as being applicable to pre-Act trans-actions. The Act created an

The secretary of state took the powers created by section 105 to enable him to police the proper working of a scheme, which was concerned with events happening after an appointed day, created by the Act and for him to administer the various sanctions conferred by the Act for infractions of that scheme.

A power to look at the past to explain the present was implicit in section 105 but there was oo reason why Parliament should have given the secretary of state powers to investigate putative investment business before the Act, to underpin the supervision of a scheme, and the application of sanctions to enforce it, when the scheme only began to come into existence on the first of the

Mr Justice McCowan agreed. businessman. The secretary of state claimed to have acted in the secretary of state claimed to have acted in the secretary of state claimed to have acted in the secretary of state claimed to have acted in the secretary of the s

Abortion conscience clause not for medical secretaries

Regina v Salford Area Health Authority, Ex parte Janaway Before Lord Keith of Kinkel, Lord Brandon of Oakbrook, Lord Griffiths, Lord Goff of Chieveley and Lord Lowry

[Speeches December 1] A medical secretary and receptionist at a bealth ceotre who was required to type a letter referring a patient for an appointment with a consultant with a view to the latter forming an opinioo as to whether the patient's pregnancy should be terminated uoder the Abortion Act 1967 was oot being required to "participate io any treat-ment" authorized by the Act and was not, accordingly, en-otled to refuse to type the lerter

objection to abortion.

The House of Lords dismissed an appeal by Mrs Barbara Janaway from the Court of Appeal (Lord Justice Slade Appeal (Lord Justice Stade, Lord Justice Balcomhe and Lord Justice Stocker) (The Times January 5; [1988] 2 WLR 442), who had dismissed her appeal from Mr Justice Notan who had dismissed her applicaoon for judicial review of the health authority's decision to dismiss her and a declaration that, by reason of her conscien-tious objection to typing corres-pondence of the type in question, she was not under any duty to carry out such work.
Section 4 of the 1967 Act
provides: "(1) Subject to subsection (2) of this section, oo
person shall be under any duty. whether by contract or by any statutory or other legal requirement, to participate in any treatment authorized by this Act to which be has a conscientious

(2) Nothing in subsection (1) of this section shall affect any duty to participate in treatment which is necessary to save the life or to prevent grave permanent injury to the physical or mental health of a pregnant

Mr Gerard Wright, QC and Mr Patrick Field for Mrs Janaway; Mr John Rowe, QC and Mr Geoffrey Tattersall for the authority.

LORD KEITH said that Mrs

Janaway had taken up employ-ment with the authority on June 25, 1984. She had been engaged as a secretary/receptionist at for a Dr Barnoah. On September 11, she had been asked by birn to type the letter in question. Being a Roman Catholic holding the belief that abortion was morally wrong, she had refused to type the letter, which

had eventually been written by hand by another doctor at the centre.

She had told a personnel officer from the authority that she had felt entitled to refuse to type the letter, and any others concerned with termination of pregnancy, by virtue of the conscientious objectioo pro-

vision in section 4(1).

A decision to dismiss ber had been formally ratified by the authority on February 6, 1985. The issue in the case turoed on the true construction of the words "participate in any treat-meet authorized by this Act" in

section 4(1). Mrs Janaway maiotained that they covered taking part in any arrangements preliminary to and intended to bring about aimed at terminating a preg-nancy, including the typing of lerters referring a patient to a

The authority argued that the meaning of the words was limited to taking part in the actual procedures undertaken at the hospital or other approved place with a view to the terminatioo of a pregnancy.

Mrs Janaway's argument proceeded oo the lines that the acts attracting the protection of sec-tion 4(1) were intended to be coextensive with those that were authorized by section 1(1) and that in the absence of that provision would be criminal. The criminal law about acces-

sones, she said, treated one who aided and abetted, counselled or procured a criminal act as liable To the absence of section 1(1) to the absence of section 1(1) by typing a letter of referral she would be counselling or procuring an abortion, or at least hetping to do so and, subject to a possible defence on the principle of R v Bourne ([1939] I KB 687), would be criminally liable.

would be criminally liable.
Therefore, any requirement in type such a letter was relieved, in the face of a conscientious objection, by section 4(1).

Mr Justice Nolan and Lord Justice Balcombe had accepted the authority's argument that on a proper construction "partici-pate" in section 4(1) did not import the whole concept of ordinary and natural meaning-referred to actually taking part n treatment administered io afor the purpose of terminating a. 663

His Lordship agreed. Al-though "participate" was commonly used to describe the activities of accessories in the criminal law field, it was not a term of art there.

It was in any event not being used in a criminal context in section 4(1). Ex hypothesi treatpregnancy under section t was oot criminal.

His Lordship did not consider that Parliament could reasonably have intended by the use of "participate" to import all the technicalities of the criminal law about principal and accessory, which could on occasion raise very nice questions about whether someone was guilty as an accessory. Such niceties would be very difficult of sol-

ution for an ordinary health authority.

If Parliament had intended the result cootended for by Mrs-Janaway, it could have procured it very clearly and easily by referring to participation "in anything authorized by this Act" instead of "in any treat-

ment [so] authorized".

It was to be observed that section 4 appeared to represent something of a compromise in relation to conscientious objection. One who believed all abortion to be morally wrong would conscientiously object even to such treatment as was menooned io section 4(2), yet the subsection would not allow

the objection to receive effect. Lord Brandon, Lord Griffiths, Lord Goff and Lord Lowry

Solicitors: Gamlens for Clifford Poole & Co. Manchester, principal and accessory residing Hempsons for Mr E. G. Jones, in the criminal law but io its Manchester.

Operational interest in vessel covered

Turner v Manx Line Ltd

A marine iosurance under the Institute Time Clauses Hulls Port Risks policy covered the liability of the assured for damage caused to a harbour where the assured's interest was as operator of the insured vessel and was not confined to strict liability through a proprietary

Mr Justice Hirst so held in the Commercial Court of the Queen's Bench Division on November 16 when giving judgment for the defendant on a claim by a representative Lloyd's underwriter, by subrogation for moneys recovered by the defendants and retained.

present dispute centred on the eight words in the opening line of clause 3 in the standard terms of the ITCHPR policy by which the assured was covered "if by reason of interest in the vesser"

HIS LORDSHIP said the

The word "interest" was by no means exclusively limited to a proprietary interest. In the described in the clause.
The word "interest" was by appropriate context an interest could equally well he commer-cial, philanthropic or connected with family local or political

To interpret it io its present context as coonoting an opera-tional interest was fully in harmony with the clause as n

experiment proves

resounding success

If the continuing campaign for

permanency.

at Leopardstown.

day, when Dublin had been subjected to a furious morning

hailstorm, almost 14,000 people

turned up. Not only that, they wagered £1.08 million with the bookmakers, a record for Leopardstown and the second

biggest betting turnover ever for a day's racing in Ireland.

When you produce figures like that, you bave to say the

Sunday concept is a big suc-cess," says Tony Corcoran, manager of the Leopardstown

course. "It is here to stay now. All it requires is slightly more careful planning 10 prevent it detracting from Saturday programmes. On the occasions when we have had racing in the Dublin area on both days of a weekend it has been noticeable that the Saturday crowds have

that the Saturday crowds have suffered."

our centenary meeting in the summer. That was on a glorious

August Sunday and il was noticeable that it was 2 very different type of crowd from the

"Entire families came along for the day out and it reflected in

the betting. The Tote had B very

busy day, which always in-dicates a high proportion of

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Man On The Line from Reg Aleftury's successful all-the year-round Epsom stable, looks an excellent bet to win looks and excellent bet to win the west countries the west countries the west of the metric west of the excellent between the looks and the west of the excellent between the looks and the west of the west of the excellent

Park today, and he is my nap.

Although he has never tackled today's distance of two miles and five furlongs, he has given the impression that he will relish the trip on the four occasions I have seen him finish strongly at the end of 21/2 miles this season.

On the first of those he just rate. failed to overhaul a fitter Stormwatch at Chepstow and was beaten a head.

Next time out, though, he did just manage to get up in tongue at Cheltenham that the nick of time at Chelten-day and it was tied down when ham to beat Inde Pulse (a winner by four lengths Bt Towcester last Saturday) by a

In the meantime, Wishlon has done his bit for the form

by winning next time out at Newhury by ten lengths. Having split Tewit Castle and Inde pulse (both winners since) at Cheltenham, Alphasonic clearly comes into the reckoning on paper at any

However, I believe the line through Inde Pulse might well prove misleading because Inde Pulse swallowed his day and it was tied down when he won last Saturday.

On the other hand, there should not be much between Kamadoor and Caballine After being given the slip by the useful Flat racer Penny head in it at Fontwell Park



David Nicholson: high hopes for Bangor double

where Caballine was running for the first time.

As Kittinger seems to have lost his way over fences for the time being, the biggest danger could easily be Serious Man, who has finished runner-up in both his races this season. At Windsor last time, he

Sandown later on.
It seems odd to record that in the Crownco Handicap Friendly Henry, who finished sixth in this year's Grand National, is still seeking that In this instance I prefer Tarconey, who tends to reserve his best for the Esher illusive first win over fences in track where he has now won the Crown Gap Holdings three times. I vividly recall Novices Chase. him beating Clara Mountain Not so Alone Success and

responsance at Chattenham (2m, good to firm). Has since been beensh twice by Pucks Place, most recently by 21st at Ascot (3m, good). Prefers a sound surface.

Burlaca. (NACCK HILL, was let down by his jumping when unsasting his rider at Chehanham; earlier 3rd beasen 10t by Cucky Date (nc. 148b) here over 3m 118yd. Will sike today's longer trip.

MITHRAS, a long way behind DRECT APPROACH on Newbury bow, put up an improved performance last time when 13% 5th to Run And Side at Chehanham (3m 4f, good to firm). Suited by some give in the ground.

G Mernagh
M Perratt
K Mooney
E Murphy
M Bowthy
O Gallagher
B Powell

Peter Hobbs —
S Sherwood • 95
... O McCoart 77

SON: BALAN SUNSHINE

Bigsun, who have both won

twice this term. Alone Success was the better over hurdles, With Martin Pipe's stable in and he is preferred now. almost unstoppable form, noone should be surprised if the Global Homes Handicap Nicholson can pull off a With Martin Pipe's stable in double at Bangor, thanks to Another Coral (12.45) and Waterloo Boy (3.15), while Chase is won by the top weight Torside even though he has not had an outing this season. The lack of a previous race Wessex looks the banker at did not stop his stable companions Beau Ranger and Southwell in the Sparrow Selling Hurdle, having split Strands Of Gold from winning Carrickhill Lad and Third In

last week, nor did it stop Line at Ayr recently.

Long handicap: Cetic Hamlet 9-3.

BETTING: 9-4 Torside, 8-1 Balan Sunshine, 8-1 Direct Approach, 8-1 Knock HR, 10-1 Memberson, 12-1 t Over, 16-1 Mithras, 25-1 Cetic Hamlet.

1987: FAIR CHILD 7-10-0 P Croucher (6-1) D Murray-Smith 16 ran

3.0 PSB NATIONAL HUNT GUIDE NOVICES HURDLE (£2,460: 2m) (17 runners)

BETTING: 9-4 The Milroy, 4-1 Bilast, Moriey Street, 11-2 Pipers Copse, 15-2 Fit For Firing, 6-1 Pick Indistance, 12-1 Busy Millens, 14-1 others.

1987: DEEP TREASURE 5-11-0 P Scudamore (13-8 fav) F Winter 17 ran

FORM THE MILEROY was the easy winner of a National Hurn Flat race at Warwick last season (2m, firm) and made a promising debut over hurdles at Newbury when 3l 2nd to Nodform (2m 100yd, good to firm). PIPERS COPSE won a similar event on reappearace at Plumpton beating Serious Man 10l (2m, good) and was a strong finishing second when beaten 3l by Mourtebor at Hereford last time (2m good).

MORELY STRIET, twice the winner of National Hurn Flat races here, recently (2m, good to firm). He looks the bost of hurdling debutants,

3.30 SURREY RACING HURDLE (Listed race: 3-Y-0: £4,012: 2m) (15 runners)

UKREY HACING HUHDLE (LISBO TBOCK 37-U. 24,012 a

11 BANK VIEW 13 (D,G,S) (Benk View Hire Ltd) N Tinkler 11-4

112 AL ASOOF 34 (D,BF,F,G) (P Pedding) P Hedger 11-0

6 BAHRAIN BRIDGE 9 (R Foster) A Inghtan 11-0

53 CALL A TRUCE 9 (P Mitchell P Mischell 11-0

3 DEEP SENSATION 30 (R Biody J Gifford 11-0

GULF PALACE 46F (C Mason) R Akehurst 11-0

INTERPLAY 75F (M Hickey) R O'Sulvan 11-0

D ITYLOS 13 (R Bus) G Baking 11-0

1 JOPANINS 7 (D,G) (J Bush (Holdings) Ltd) D Thom 11-0

6 MAN RAY 7 (BF) (K Fustok) J Jonatos 11-0

THE RESIRDOCK 30 ID West-Smith J Fox 11-0

THE BURDOCK 30 ID West-Smith J Fox 11-0

852 SEVEN OF DIAMONDS 34 (T'Keeping) D Bisworth 11-0
TAKE ISSUE 60F (R Flower) J Suichtle 11-0
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SF YAMMAN 9 (8) (Woodstow Antique Ltd) J Fitich-Heyes 10-9

FO MR MURDOCK 30 (D Ward-Smith) J Fox 11-0_

OS/-11 ELFAST 30 (D₂G₂S) (J Webber J Webber 8-11-8.

2 335F-12 PBFERS COPSE 24 (D₂G) (Mrs J Locke) P Cundel 6-11-4.

ADMIRAL'S LEAP (Queen Elesabeth) F Wahryn 4-11-0.

BEAU PARI (M Pinto) J Gifford 4-11-0.

FRIE CONCORD (Let Stationery Company) Mrs J Pinnan 4-11-0.

O FINELY TUNED 42 (S Sharp) J Radmond 5-11-0.

OF GODYN BEARMAGS 756 (Godfor Bearings Southern) J Fox 0-11-0.

12-1 MORLEY STREET 27 (F,G) (Salahurst Paper) 6 Balding 4-11-0.

PPO0-25 PICK ROUNDSTONE 15 (P Langmand) J Gifford 5-11-0.

5-2 RIVERTING 57 (R Cheetham) P Mitchell 4-11-0.

THE ARTIFLE RASCAL (Mrs R Banks) J Gifford 4-11-0.

1-2 THE MILROY 23 (F) (R E A Bott Lin) D Sherwood 5-11-0.

FO06/-5 BUSY MITTENS 27 (Mrs H Bare) M McCourt 7-10-9.

Q45542- FIT FOR FRIMING 251 (F Chepman) D Eleworth 4-10-9.

POLLY PRIL (A Smeth) A Turnell 4-10-9.

S CAMPERIED 27 (Mrs G Maxwell) J Gifford 4-10-9.

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SETTING: 9-4 The Milroy, 4-1 Blast, Morley Street, 11-2 Pipers Copse, 15-2 F

2.30 GLOBAL HOMES HANDICAP CHASE (£3,622: 3m 5f 18yd) (8 runners)

164301- TORSIDE 211 (C.D.S) (G Bisgrove) M Pipe 8-12-0.

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164301- TORSIDE 211 (C.D.S) (F Thompson) J Webber 12-11-4

15330-U MEMBERSON 13 (C.D.F.G.S) (F Diriosee) P Duriosee 10-11-2.

222-212 BALAN SURVENIE 14 (V.B.F.F.G.S) (F Green) C Brooks 6-11-2.

421PF-4 DART OVER 24 (G.S) (P Poccet) Miss L Poccet 12-10-12

121-122 DIRECT APPROACH 12 (F.S) (H. John J Gifford 8-10-9

31445-3 CELTIC HAMLET 14 (F) (B Baldwin) F O'Mahony 8-10-0

FORM BALAN SUNSHINE was outlumped by Mr Frisk at Ascot last bine (3m, good to firm) but stayed on well to finish 2nd, ceaten 3l with CELTIC NAME, ET, 7th better off, 15 back in 3rd: earlier beat Sun Rising 5 sh hd at Ascot (3m, good to firm). Should be suited by the extra distance today.

TORSIDE, a course winner fast season, best Mr Peacock 11 under top weight at Newton Abbot (3m 2f

DIRECT APPROACH best Goodman Point a neck on

there last season and he will be

hard to beat in that sort of

which could lead to the metrication of horses' weights.
In a letter to Lord Fairhaven,
the Senior Steward, Racegoers
Club chairman Tony Fairbairn
called for the retention of the
imperial system of weights in
British racing.
He asked the Jockey Club to
resist any move to metrication
and to seek exemption from the
Department of Trade.
Fairbairn said that DOT
guidelines show there is no
reason to switch from the imperial to metric system in matters

ial to metric system in matters domestic to the UK. He added: "The Jockey Club must not sit back and do nothing. The Stewards should consult the relevant racing bodies and make out u special case for the racing industry."

"The punter and racegoer is familiar with the pound as a unit of weight. There is no easy and accurate method of converting accurate method of converting kilos to pounds, and kilos are not widely understood," suid Fairbaira, who pointed out that there are no proposals to

Decision date on all-weather

The Levy Board meets again on December 20 to decide which two courses should qualify for £1 million in interest free loans to build all-weather tracks.

The Board failed to reach a decided at their meeting last

the Board failed to reach a decision at their meeting last mouth when Doncaster, Lingfield Park and Nottingham made submissions. Jockey Club stewards will also consider the subject at a meeting on Monday.

Profitable trip A 700-mile round trip from Rose Green, West Sussex paid off for Homme D'Affaire when the Roland O'Sullivan-trained geld-ing just got home by u head from King's Harvest in the Caldbeck Novices Hurdle ut Carlisle yesterday.

Wetherby doubt Wetherby stewards hold a noon inspection today to assess the possibility of racing tomorrow. The going at present is soft, but a course spokesman said: "There is water standing on parts of the back straight."

Sunday racing in Britain requires any further compelling evidence, its advocates need and because it is the day after 19. "It is a good card, featuring the Vincent O'Brien Gold Cup only look across the Irish Sea. the Ireland-England rugby inter-There, the period of experiment is over. Sunday racing is now national at Lansdowne Road I think we will get a lot of English regarded as a successful people making a sporting weekend of it."
The Irish progress is certainly Any who remained doubtful were surely convinced by the last of this year's 14 Sunday fixtures, a valuable mixed card

being keenly followed in Portman Square, where the Jockey Club is still agitating at high level to accelerate progress. On a bitterly cold November

1989, scheduled for February

Sherwood resumes Simon Sherwood returns to the saddle with three booked rides at Sandown Park today after suffering concussion in a fall at Wincanton last Thursday, Sherwood, who was signed off for the statutory week, partners Desert Orchid in the Tingle Creek Chase at Sandowa tomorrow.

Spokesman David Pipe explains: "Although Sunday rac-ing made no headway from two parliamentary Bills the govern-ment has a commitment within its manifesto to Sunday trading. We are continually trying to draw their altention to the anomalies of Sunday trading when related to sport and to persude them they should sort out the whole business, racing

Apart from their success in industrial relations and in conquering the economic haz-ards of racing on the Sabbath, one of the most striking facts about the Irish venture has been included, 2t the one time." Pipe believes that, despite the delays and the vocal opposition from some areas of the racing industry, there is a general acceptance that Sunday racing will come sooner or later."
When it does, there are lessons to be learned from the Irish. the drawing power of the country meetings. Tipperary staged 2 Sunday card on October 2. Are de Triomphe Day, and 8,000 racegoers packed in.
"Jump racing seems to go better than the Hat," says Corcoran. "But against that, we had 20,000 at Leopardstown for

Corcoran explains: "It is imcorcoran explaint: "It is im-portant to make the day special, to lay on something a little different, Irish racegoers have a habit of all arriving 15 minutes before the first race. Our answer, on a Sunday, is to tempt them in early with some entertainment, a band or a show, and to spread the word in those who might not normally go racing that here is a day out rather than simply u

 Jenny Pilman's fortunes changed with an 18-1 double through Alckhine and Cash Is King in the two divisions of the irregular racegoers."
Corcoran has high hopes for bis first Sunday presentation of Askelt Novices' Hurdle at War-wiek yesterday.

SANDOWN PARK

Selections By Mandarin

12.55 Tarconey. 1.25 MAN ON THE LINE (nap).

Michael Seely's selection: 1.25 MAN ON THE LINE (nan).

Guide to our in-line racecard

1 113143 GOOD TIMES 13 (BF,F,G,S) (Mrs D Robinson) B Hall 12-0... Rececard number. Six-figure form (F-fell distance winner. BF-besten tevourite in length up. B-polied up. B-refused.
D-diaqualitied). Harss's name. Days since last outing; F if flat (B-blinkers. V-visor. H-hood. E-Eyeshield. C-course and winner. D-distance winner. CD-course and landscaper's rating.

Going: good

12.55 CROWNCO HANDICAP CHASE (£3,752: 2m 4f 68yd) (6 runners)

BETTING: 11-8 Davy's Weir, 5-2 Tarconey, 4-1 Baltes, 8-1 Kilbrittain Castle, 8-1 Amrulish, 12-1 Drive On 1987: CLARA MOUNTAIN 6-11-2 H Davies (7-2) T Forster 6 ran

behind Cuddy Dale here (3m 118y, good to firm) on

FORM DAYY'S WEIR had a simple task in a 3-runner effair at Huntingdon (2m 41, firm) being eased down to beat Schlemmer \$1 after breves of Jimmy refused at the 3rd; earlier DAYY'S WEIR was all out to beat The Luckpenny Man ½1 at Forewell (2m 21 110yd, good).

DRIVE ON JIMMY put up one of his bast performances of last season over course-and-distance when beating Gentie Approach 21 (soft).

Seasona Down KELBRITTAIN CASTLE finished 251/1 5th of 14 to Diamond Digger at Chepstow in October (2m, good). Has won here 6 times, but is not the force he once

BARTRIES, e very useful chaser in Ireland 2 seasons ago, whining at Punchestown (2m 4f, good). Goes well when fresh and is funcied to make a whining mannerance. 1.25 CROWNGAP CONSTRUCTION WINTER NOVICES HURDLE (Listed race: £3,785:

FORM MAN ON THE LINE ran on well to beat Wishlon (winner since) \$1 at Ascot (2m 4f, good to firm); earher, he timelined a good 42 and to Penny Forum at Kempton (2m 4f, good) with KAFARMO (1ib worse off) 25i back in 3rd.
CABALLINE (set gof up to best KAMADOOR (3lb worse off) by a short-head at Fortwel (2m 6t, good). Should be close between the two again today. day k

ALPHASONIC ran his best race to date when 61 2nd of 18 to Tewit Castle at Chettenham (3m 1f, good to firm) last time.

2.0 CROWNGAP HOLDINGS NOVICES CHASE (£3,590: 3m 118yd) (6 runners) 643P-11 ALDNE SUCCESS 16 (D.F.G.S) (Shekki Amin Dahlawi) N Handerson 0-11-4 J White B23-112 BigSUN 8 (D.F.G) (J Hom) D Nicholson 7-11-4 R Dumroady BETTING: 5-4 Alone Success, 7-4 Bigsun, 4-1 Celtic Flight, 8-1 Ah Helio, 12-1 Iron Billy, 20-1 Friendly

FORM ALONE SUCCESS, on easy 81 winner of a 2-runner event from Brunn Baby; serfier came home by 121 from Dunny Walsh at Stration (2m 61, good). A smart chaser in the making.

BKGSUM met a useful opponent when %1 2nd to Station at Haydock (3m, good to soft); earlier jumped well when bearing Glenavey 15t at Cheftenham (3m,

SERIOUS MAN has run well on both starts this term, finished %I 2nd of 11 to Proplus at Windoor (2m 61,

1987: BUTTON YOUR LIP 5-10-12 R Durwoody (9-1) D Nicholson 6 ran

good to firm) where CELTIC FLIGHT unseated his rider at the 14th. FRIENDLY HENRY ran the race of his life to finish 49%1 bits of 40 to Rhyme 'N' Reason in the Grand National (4m 41, good to soft). He has still to win over tenores.

Selection: MAN ON THE LINE

FORM AL ASOOF, successful in hovice hundles at Fontwell (2m 2f,firm) and Plumpton (2m, good) already this season, ran owell to finish 11 2ml to Royal Dorb at Weetherby (2m, good to soft) on lest outing. Looks sure to go well. Scudamore 88 ... N Doughay 91 ... O Bradley Why, 20-1 BANK VIEW was impressive when bearing Senator Snught by 12I on hurdling debut at Newcastle (2m good) and followed up at Ayr (2m, soft) beating Nilss Mill by an easy 31. Faces strifer opposition today. JOPANINI made all when winning by 30I on hurdling

BETTING: 11-4 Al Ascot, 3-1 Jopanini, 5-1 Bank View, 6-1 Viking Venture, 8-1 Seven Of Disa p Sensation, 12-1 Call A Truce, 14-1 others. 1987: WAHIBA 3-11-0 N Coleman (18-1) R Holder 14 ran MAY a distant 9th.
VIKING VENTURE fulfilled promise of first run
behind Outbiller L'Ennul at Windsor (2m 30yd, good
to firm) when beating Look Lively by 71 at Newbury
next time (2m 100yd, good).
SEVEN OF DIABONDS showed improved form last
time when 21 2nd to Afford at Ascot (2m, good to
firm).

the race, MORELY STREET, twice the winner of National Hunt Flat races here, recently (2m, good to finn). He looks the best of hundling debutants,

D McCourt
R Descriptly
2 Arnott
D Gallegher
R Rowe

R Guest

D Musphy • 99
S Sherwood —
N Doughty —
B Powell 86

Selection: THE MILROY

Course specialists

1	D Murray-Smith Mrs M Rimell Mrs J Pitmen N Henderson J Gifford D Elsworth	TRAINER Winners S 3 11 12 29 16	S Flunners 22 14 57 63 157 90	Per cent 22.7 21.4 19.3 19.0 17.4 16.7	M Bowiby E Musphy O Landau R Rouse R Dunwoody P Scudamora	JOCKEYS Winners 3 7 4 21 14 14	Fides 8 31 16 123 88 87	Per ce 50.0 22.0 21.1 17.1 15.5 14.4
	1 3222-25 V	LENTINOS J	OY 20 (BF,	F.G.5) (G O	0: 3m 110yd) (5 troyd) D Oldroyd 6- Vergette 8-11-10	11-10	W Steples D Very	

RON BILLY, a winner over hurdles here lest sea (2m, good) makes his chasing debut. Selection: ALONE SUCCESS (nap) SOUTHWELL

2.30 Kevinsfort. 3.00 Stormwatch. 3.30 Celtic Bob. 1.00 Thar-An-Bharr. By Michael Seely

2.00 PERROQUET (nap). 3.30 Asturias. The Times Private Handicapper's top rating: 1.30 WESSEX.

Selections

By Mandarin

1.0 PARTRIOGE NOVICES HANDICAP CHASE (£953: 2m 74yd) (15 runners)

1 21-2114 CLEVER FOLLY 13 (CD.F.S) (N Mason Farms Ltd) G Richards 6-12-7 Mr P Doyle (7)

2 463/00- EASTER FESTIVAL 282 (M Smith) Mrs P Sty 7-11-3 M Beatand 97

3 2/012 THAR-AM-BHARR 91 (GF.F) (J Upon) J Cosselo 6-11-1 P Harriey (7) 94

4 2-05651 WEIRPPOOL 7 (D,F) (H Spooner) W Komp 8-11-0 (7ext) SMcKenevr (7) 99

5 003/0-03 BLENDERS GNOICE 15 (D,F) (M O'Connor) J King 8-10-11 6 Smith Eccles 33

6 531/094 TOPKAPI 20 (D,F) (C Cheeman) J White 0-10-5 K Buthe 98

7 54/5402 THE HOUGH 30 (C Buckley) Mrs G Revely 7-10-1 P Neven 91

8 6634/04 PADYKIN 0 (C,D,F,G) IS Freeman) M Chapman 8-10-0 J A Harrie 90

9 F5P,09-0 OH 50 STANLEY 29 (Mrs S Lee) Mrs P Sty 7-10-0 D Staw 91

10 05P-000 LE MODESTY 20 (B) (R Small A Moore 8-10-0 G Misore 95

10 101-56 HENRY GEARY STEELB 17 (D,Q,S) (R Champson) R Champion 8-10-0 Gee Armylage 96

12 4UB-544 ANNE RA 65 (D,S) (Mrs E Baycan) W Clay 6-10-0 R Beven (7) W Hayes (7) 13 00FP-4/ RIVERSFIELD PARK 538 (Transplant Ltd) L Corbett 7-10-0 W Worthington 82

14 30/GP-PS SMOKEY'S SON 28 (3) (B Naching) Miss G Rees 6-10-0 W Worthington 82

Long handicap: Henry Geary Steels 9-9, Annie Ra 9-8, Riversfield Park 9-9, Smokey's Son 9-6, The Matkini 9-6.

BETTING: 5-2 Clever Folly, 7-2 Blenders Choice, 9-2 Weirpool, 6-1 Thar-An-Bhart, 8-1 Herry Geary 1.0 PARTRIDGE NOVICES HANDICAP CHASE (£963: 2m 74yd) (15 runners)

BETTING: 5-2 Clever Folly, 7-2 Blenders Choice, 9-2 Weirpool, 6-1 Ther-An-Bhart, 8-1 Henry Geary Steeks, 10-1 Easter Festival, 12-1 others. 1967: WARNER'S END 0-10-11 A Webb (4-1 (1-fav) J Webber 15 ran

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BETTING: 1-2 Wessex, 4-1 Lady Windmill, 6-1 Leherne Girl, 6-1 Palmerston Boy, 12-1) Bouquet, 16-1 Gienmore Louis, 20-1 others. 1967: DAUNTING PROSPECT 3-10-12 M Richards (5-1) P Hedger 5 ran

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3.30 CURLEW CONDITIONAL JOCKEYS' HANDICAP HURDLE (£1,926: 2m) (20 runners)

1 336F3-0 ROYAL CRACKER 22 (D,S) (Harlow Bros Ltd) T Bit 7-12-7 J O'Hanian (5) ©
2 13424U SOHALL 6 (CD,F.S) (Airs E Gittins) J White 5-11-9 J Tuite (7)
3 501-004 PRINCE NEWPORT 18 (B,D,F) (5 Crown) 5 Christian 4-11-8 A Multicolland
4 0136-53 CELTIC BOB 21 (D,F.S) (Airs C Cooper) 0 O'Neil 6-11-7 R Fathey
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6 34300 CHARLIE DICKINS 21 (D,S) (Dicture Ltd) 18 Hollincheed 4-11-1 Gary Lyons (5)
8 6/13/0 COMHANIPTON 7 (D,F) (Airs M Faukner) J Jerkins 7-10-11 P Transen (7)
9 069/40 GRURDY LANE 7 (D,BF,F.S) (P Barrett) B Morgen 8-10-11 C Prince (5)
16 5120P3 ROYAL EFFIGY 15 (CD,F.G) (T States) R Weaver 5-10-9 W Hayes
11 06030-0 SOLDIER OF DESTINY 45 (D,G) (A Spence) P Blockley 6-10-8 P Midgley (5)
12 0620-01 SASIGA'S REPRIEVE 7 (V,D,G) (Cualitar Holdings Ltd) K Stone 4-10-6 (Sex) D Byttle
14 06-55 ASTURIAS 6 (Mrs A Dawson) J Jelferson 5-10-2 Gar Lyons
15 051103- THERTY ACRE 282 (D,S) (J Sky) W (kmp 0-10-2 S Mickeever (5)
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S McKeever (5) 95
C Dennis 85
J Clarke (5) —
A G Smith (5) 48

Long tradicage Blushing Spy 9-13, Airborne Deel 9-13, Rustic Track 9-13, Clopton 9-6, Willowseq 9-4.
BETTING: 7-2 Ceitic Bob, 9-2 Saskia's Reprieve, 11-2 Charile Dicions, 8-1 Royal Effigy, 10-1 Soldier Of stry, 12-1 Prince Newport, 14-1 Sohail, 16-1 Royal Cracker, What A Line, 20-1 others.

Course specialists TRAINERS

Selections By Mandarin

12.45 Another Coral. 1.15 Johns Present. 1.45 Ipah. 2.15 Marshal Blake. 2.45 Kodiak Island. 3.15 Waterloo Boy. 3.45 Silent Twirl.

BANGOR

12.45 HORSEMAN'S GREEN NOVICES HURDLE

(£680; 2m) (10 runners) 4-5 Another Coral, 5-1 Barkin, 6-1 Queens Anthem, 10-1 Loganbank, 12-1 Miss Neptune, 14-1 Stop Two, 16-1 others.

1.15 BARKIN DEVELOPMENTS & PROPERTY CO HANDICAP CHASE (82,057: 2m 4f) (4)

2 -PFF BORLEAFRAS 42 (C.D.BF,F,G,S) D Molfatt 6-10-9 T Reed 3 144- GOLDEN REDEEMER 214 (D,F,S) R Francis 10-10-5 6 J O'Neill 4 F/I- RAGENS BOY 392 (CD,G,S) O O'Neill 7-10-0... A Webb

7-4 Johns Present, 9-4 Golden Redeemer, 7-2 Borleafres, 4-1 Regens Boy. 1.45 DANNY BOY NOVICES HURDLE (2680:

5-2 Sorino Paim, 7-2 Sketcher, 9-2 Bencreigh, 8-1 Actia, Course specialists TRAINERS: J Edwards, 13 winners from 47 runners, 27.7%; Mrs S Oliver, 5 from 21, 23.8%; D Gendotto, 6 from 26, 23.1%; D O'Nett, 6 from 33, 18.2%; D McCan. 7 from 43, 16.3%; J Spearing, 4 from 34, 11.8%.

JOCKEYS: T Morgan, 4 winners from 12 rides, 33.3%; M Williams, 5 from 33, 15.2%; A Webb, 4 from 28, 14.3%; T Wall, 5 from 52, 9.6% (orly qualifiers). 2.1S BARKIN DEVELOPMENTS HANDICAP HURDLE (£1,842: 3m) (10)

2-1 Marshal Blake, 11-4 The Enid, 7-2 Christo, 5-1 Don't Se Late, 6-1 Mevegissey, 10-1 Granagh, 14-1 others. 2.45 WEBSTER BANKS WOOD NOVICES CHASE (£2,055: 3m) (11)

8 043F CELTIC DREAM 14 T 86 5-10-9 R Crank
9 /AP LADY SEEKER 220 A J Wison 5-10-9 S Coveley
10 SOONLIGHT SHADOW 220 D McCart 7-10-9 S J O'Neidl
11 5F66 ROYS DILEMMA 3 W Sheety 8-10-9 6 Hodgeou (7) 5-4 Kodiak Island, 3-1 Kipp Chuggy, 6-1 Gay Moore, 10-1 Bailto, 12-1 Celtic Dream, 14-1 Dan Raise, 18-1 others.

3.15 BANKS WOOD NOVICES HANDICAP CHASE (£1,618: 2m) (7)

1 40-1 WATERLOO BOY 34 (D.Q.5) 0 Nicholson 5-11-10... --2 125- BIETSCHHORN NUT 242 (CD,Q.5) 0 Gandolio 0-11-6

5 P-PO MISTER KILO 6 A Jones 7-10-0 S Kelgrifley 8 643- JOLLY MARINER 181 Mrs J Promen 8-10-0. J Leach (7) 7 2F-5 PROUD SOLDIER 22 M Scudemore 5-10-0. M Williams Evens Waterloo Boy, 5-1 Jolly Mariner, 6-1 Eyetrep, 10-1 BietsChinom Hut, 12-1 Candlefight Dinner, 14-1 others.

3.45 CROSS LANES NOVICES HANDICAP HURDLE (£1,038: 2m) (10)

5-2 Silent Twirl, 3-1 Below Zero, 9-2 Creole Bay, 5-1 Cornolarm, 8-1 Prince Bold, 12-1 Cale Cone, 10-1 others.

Warwick results

Going: good, chase; soft, hurdles
12.0 (2m ch) 1, HitL's PAGEANT (K
Mooney, 2-1 fav: Meanderin's nap); 2. The
A Trisis (M Pitman, 13-2); 3, King Of The
Lot (8 Dowling, 5-2); ALSO RAN 6 Tidal
Stream (5th), 8 Cettic Flame (ur), Double
Cathre (4th), 20 New Gold Dream,
Pharoah's Treasure (5th), 100 Admarable
Crictrion (pu), Hays Hill (pu), Upsanding
(pu), 11 ran, NR: Sentopadre, 5, 3, 10,
251, 14, ET, Walwyn at Lambourt, Tote:
53.10; 21.10, 23.10, 21.40, DF: E5.40,
CSF: 215.68.

CSF: 215.58.

12.30 (2m hdis) 1. ALEKHINE (M Pirman, 5-1); 2. Lily Mats (P Soudarmore, 4-5 fav); 3. General Tinker (R Beggan, 50-1). ALSO RAN: 10 Monetary Fund, Cuter Rica, 14 High Chateau (4th), 20 Amari King, Bob's Ballad (pu), High Aloft, Nanatel, Vegabundo (pu), High Aloft, Nanatel, Vegabundo (pu), Highedon, 25 Count (6th), 33 Potterion Profile, 50 Charthy Boy, Czemmo, Gift Voucher (pu), Sunburn, Supreme Stands By (pu), Woodplands Crown (f), Bella Solle (pu), Milaty, Patient Dreamer, 25 ran. 15t, 15t, 5t, 7t, M. Mrs. J. Pitman at Upper Lambourn, Tote; 28.60. 22.10, 21.50, 26.70. DF: £4.60. CSF: 21.05.

210.50.

1.0 (2m 41 ch) 1, PRIDE HILL (P Nichols, 6-1); 2, Martic (M Brennan, 12-1); 3, Norton's Coin (Mr T Jonés, 16-1); 4, Jeanter (R Beggan, 10-1), ALSO RAN: 4 tay Fence Judge (f), 9-2 Soler Cloud (Sth. 10 Aberoy (pu), 11 Winser Measure, 12 Master Muck (pu), 16 King Kas, Pan Arctic, 20 Stonehenge, 25 Stient Echo, Iowa, 33 Opening Bars, Dundalk Bells, Jezail (Sth. 17ran, NR: Poets Day, 19, 34, 15), 44, 25-1, D Barons at Kingsbridge, Tota: 27.80; 27.50, 22.90, 52.20, 22.90.
DF: £23.90. CSF: £74.74. Tricast: £1.017.16 E1.017.16

1.30 (2m hdle) 1, TERRA DI SIENA (Peter Hobbs, 15-2); 2, Winter Term (R Durwoody, 2-1 lay); 3, Black Cowedy (G McCourt, 6-1), ALSO RAN: 8 Country'N Western, Star Meestern (4th), 8 Red Bolt (f), Solent Express, 12 Hi-Tech Boy (6th), Cherry Glory, 14-1 Hallowed, 20 Lucky Blake (5th), 33 The Baschlor, Evestern Bunchers, Arromatos, 14 ran. NFt: Willie The Moon, 19,1 151, 201, 91, 91, 91, Phobbs et Minethani. Tote: 222-10; 25.60, 21.80, 22.00. DF: 233.50. CSF: 225.98. Tricest: 295.58. No bid.

2.5 (3m 11 ch) 1, CONEY CLEN (H

29.68. No bid.
2.6 (3m 1) ch) 1, CONEY GLEN (H
Dawes, 7-1); 2, Kingtor (P Nichotts, 7-2); 3,
Shipenate (R Durwoody, 50-1). ALSO
RAN: 11-4 fav Redgreve Rose (4m), 9-2
Furzen Hal (5m), 6 Fortascue, 6 Glotta
Way, 33 Boreen Geel, Rich Nickel (f), 50
Canon Cless (5m), Modern Music (pu),
Provertial Session (pu), 12 ran. NF:
Winsor Bond. 15t, 8t, 4t, 11, 301. V Bishop at
Hay-on-Wye. Tota: £9.80; £3.20, £1.30,
£5.60. DF: £29.40. CSF: £29.48. Tricast:
£1,012.71.

23.0 (2m hdie) 1, CASH IS KING (M Pitman, 9-4 fav); 2, Celtic Barle (R Durwoody, 7-2); 3, Lots Of Luck (J McLauchin, 11-1). ALSO RAN; 5 Fac-tourn (Stri), Firth Of Forth, 10 Chilmes Of The Dawn, 14 Tabellina (4th), 20 Lord Kigayle, 25 Celtic Walk, 35 Comedy Sel, Deliwood Renown, Luigi's Star, Rayon

Tom, Tanias Dad, Varingen (pu), Just The Ticket, Ranee's Song, Scamperoo. 21 ran. NR: Geblitzi, Just Aquitted, ½1, 81, 2½1, 24, 72, Mrs. J. Priman at Upper Lambourn. Tote: £3.80: £2.00, £2.20, £3.80. DP: £8.00. £5F: £11.28.

23.80. DF: 56.00. CSF: 211.28.

3.0 (2m ch) 1. MAN O'MAGIC (M Perrett. 7-2); 2. Members' Revenge (R Durwoody, 20-1); 3. Swing To Steel (P Scudemore, 6-4 ray). ALSO PAN: 15-8 Bluebery King, 6 Erossindevelopment (5th), 25 Just Mick (ou), 33 Acontum (6th), Larkmover (f), Macroom (6th), 66 Courtbrook (pu), Dueting (ref). 11 ren. 11, 67, 71, 71, 71, 71, 82, 82, 83, 56, 21, 30, DF: 23, 30, CSF: 257, 33.

3.00 (2m 54 bries). 1. ESCARDI SSS. 44. 23.50, 21.30. DF: 238.30. CSF: 267.33.
3.30 (2m 5/ holie) 1, REGAROLESS (MBrennan, 10-1); 2, Lynn Megic (I Lawrenca, 5-1); 3, Adams Insprint (D Tegg, 18-1); ALSO RAM: 3 Fav Duits Of Hazard, 9-2 Team Leader, 12 Absolute Beginner (6th), 14 Topsham Boy (5th), 16 Dupes Ciger, Leegauna, Ramsder, 20 Book Token, Derion RI, 25 This Nertle Danger (4th), 33 Arnold's Choice (pu), Cardsherper, Classey Boy, Cockney General (pu), Ethiopiam King, It's For Real, Ronne Will, Rase The Dawn, Rose Lancasser, 22 ran, NR: Woodfand Generator, Aban Way, Nem Con, 11, 21, 54, 101, 31, 3 Bundell at Grimsby, Tota: £14.80; £4.30, £1.90, 23.30. OF: 2100.10, CSF: £58.86.

Carlisle Going: heavy (final hundle omitted)

Going: heavy (final hurdle ontitled)

12.45 (2m 1/ hole) 1. HONME
D'AFFARE (M Kinane, 6-4 fav); 2, King's
Hervest (M Hammond, 13-8); 3. West
Ender (R Marley, 12-1). ALSO RAN: 8
Artalus Star, 12 Roy's Dream (4th), 14
Dannibo, 16 Must 9e Magic, himovert
(6th), 25 (Reard, Moulties, Tarlen Tempest
(5th), 25 Velver Touch (bd), 33 Battle Stag
(bd), Divine Problem, Flaucin Warrior (f),
Fountain's Choice, Persian Thoms,
Recaptive (bu), 16 ran, NR: Bellepheron,
Hd, 25-1, 44, 51, fbl. R O'Suffixin at Bognor
Regis, Tous: 22.90; £1.80, £1.10, £3.30.
DF: £4.00, CSF£5.48.

DF: £4.00. CSF-£5.48.

1.15 (2m 11 hdie) 1. THE OVERNIGHT MAN (T Wall, 10-1); 2. Princess Disigner (K Docian, 4-1); 3. Qual D'Orsey (M Krinane, 7-1), ALSO RAN; 2 lav Evericit (4th), 8 Carestrelli, 10 Mad Milly (6th), 14 Winella (5th), 20 Le Guerrier, 25 Owen Power, 8 ran. NR: Tiger Tiger, 51, 14, IS, 23, 10, B McMahen at Tammorth, Tota: £2.20; 21.80, 21.80, 52.80, DF: £12.60, CSF-£45.30, Bought in 3,900gns.

1.45 (2m 4f ch); 1. SHOON WINED RA CSF:245.30. Bought in 3,900ghs.

1.45 (2m 4f ch) 1, SHOON WIND (M Hammond, 3-1); 2, Tartan Takaswer (J Hansen, 7-2); 3, Pro-Totaen IP A Farrel, 100-1), ALSO RAN: 6-4 (sp. Tomorrow Night (4th), 12 Belon Brig (5th), 14 Tyeon Moon (pu), 33 Todden Hame (ur.), 50 Linden Brig (9th), 8 ran. 21, dest. 294, 101, dest. C Beever at Doncaster. Tote: 23,20; 51.15, £1.90, £3.10. DF: £6.76. CSF:£12.17.

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2.15(2m II 110yd hdie) 1. FARNWORTH (M Hammond, 5-4 fav: Private Hamdicapper's top restroy; 2. Noonbydo; C. Hawlers, 8-1; 4. Madam Chevelier (B Storey, 13-9). ALSO FAN: 14 Smith's Luck (8m), 25 Verona Cher, Master Mayo (4m), 50 Border Spark, Broon's Real (5th), Cascal's Ten Hornes (7m), 100 Broder Sunges

2.45 (3m ch) 1. SAXON SLAVE (N Doughty, 14-1); 2. Shackin Brig (D Shaw, 50-1); 3. Court Great IIII Dwyser, 8-1). ALSO RAN: 15-8 fav Mercy Less (ur), 3 Poler Nomad (4th), 5 Devid's Tressure (6th), 14 Wardsoff, 7 ran, 134, 134, 54, 30, 0st. J Jefferson at Matton. Tone: 216.00; 24.70, 25-90. DF: 23.70 winner or second with any other horse. CSF: 2260.52.

with any other norse, CSP-2200-52.

3.15 (2m 4f hole) 1, HADDON LAD (M Dwyer, 12-1); 2, in Contention (M Williams, 10-1); 3, Big Walte Chief (T Wall, 14-1), ALSO RAN: 4 tay Timsolo, 5 Johnston's Beby, 6 Viking Rocket (5th), 13-2 Crested (4th), 15-2 Poone Express (pu), 6 Pauper Moon, 12 Some Mog (5th), 25 Stanght Rocky, Travel Home (pu), 33 Busted Spring, 13 ran. NR: Dreednought, 7, 251, 254, 12, 41, Miss A King at Stratford-upon-Avon, Tote: 25.50; £1.90, 52-20, £11.90, DF: £48.70, CSF: £170.34, Tricast: £2,458.84.



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The Times today presents the opportunity to win a five-star visit to London, highlighted by the spectacular Rank Holiday Festival racing programme at Kempton Park on December 26 and 27.

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It begins by linking with the group hosted by Richard Pitman, former jockey and now a television commentator, at the Royal Garden Hotel, Kensington, on the morning of December 26. Then it's off to



Kempton Park for lunch and Members' Club tickets for a close-up view of the King George VI Steeplechase and the rest of the action.

After racing, the party re-turns to the Royal Garden Hotel for cocktails and n buffet, before travelling on to the theatre for either Phantom of the Opera or Les Misèrables. There will be an overnight stay at the Royal Garden Hotel followed by breakfast.

The following morning, after breakfast, the winner and a guest will be escorted to Kemptom Park for lunch and grandstand places for another afternoon of exciting racing, including the Top Rank Christmas Hurdle.

The winner will have the choice of staying at the Royal Garden Hotel on the nights of December 25 and 26 or 26 and

To enter, study the questions below and then complete the entry form, adding your name and address, and send it to Rank Holiday Festival competition, Sports Department, The Times, 1 Pennington Street, London, E1 9XN. The closing date for entries is December 12, The winner will be the sender of the first correct entry opened from all those received by then.

THE QUESTIONS

- 1. Name the riders who partnered Wayward Lad in bis three King George VI Chase victories?
- 2. How many times have the Dickinsoo family trained the King George winner?
- 3. Arkie ran the last race of his career when beaten into second place in the 1966 King George. Who beat him?
- 4. Who was the last jockey to win the King George VI Chase, Cheltenham Gold Cup, Champion Hurdle and Grand National in his career?
- 5. Which was the last horse to win the Christmas Hurdle at Kempun and go on to win the Cheltenham Gold Cup?
- 6. Which jockey had his career

brought to an end after a fall in the Christmas Hurdle? **ENTRY FORM**

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ICE SKATING

Martin picked for Europe

Netherlands and India from March 24 in 27, three matches John Martin, from Kyle, the revelation at this week's national championships, received due reward vesterday by being chosen for the British team to early in June against the visiting Australians and the Champions chosen for the British team to eonitest the European champinnships in Birmingham from January 17 to 21 (Michael Coleman writes). Martio's blemish-free performance oo Wednesday night to the national title contest lifted him to a accept the invitation to partici-pate in the lodira Gandhi ENGLAND SOLIAD: O Familizer (Havant and Foretham), M Grimley (Hounelow and St Atbans), A Heiliday (St Atbans), J Heiliday (St Atbans), J Heiliday (St Atbans), J Heiliday (St Atbans), S Heiliday (St Atbans), S Kerty (Southgate), M Langston (Wakefield), R Leman (East Grinstead), P Neili (Havant and Farehem), S Phillipe (Isca and Farehem), S Phillipe (Isca and Farehem), S Phillipe (Isca and Farehem), I Potter (Hourslow and East Grinstead), M Riley (Faddengton), S Rowlanda (Havant), Imran Sterwani (Stourport), N Thompana (Old Loughtonians), R Thompana (Old Loughtonians), C Thombana, J Crosby, T Hay, A Scotister, R Plevin, K Knapp, M Yedowlees, A Key (all Midl), J Christie, J Car, B Cuthill (all Menzieshill), S Smith, O Leiper, A Nicol, B Hey, Il Low (all Flexus), O Thomaon, C McLeod (Indespension), A Ney (Inversath), A McLeas (IC). totally unexpected second place behind Christian Newberry.

By the curious mathematics of figure skating, the Scot's fine free performance also hoisted the rather lack-lustre Christian Newberry both to the otle and to selection for the Paris world championships, March 14 to 19.

ELIROPE TEAM: Wemeer J Corway, J Sources, Meer C Newberry, J Marun. Peire: C Peaks/A Naytor, L Cushley/N Cushley. Dence: S Jones/P Askhem; K Oulmi/A Abretti, Wedd team: Women: J Conway, Mea: Newbarry, Paira: Conway, Mea: Newbarry, Paira: Rence; Jones/Askhem.

TENNIS

Wilander finds no answer as Becker turns on the power

Wilander helpless.

pretty confideot."

The warning signals were score was very revealing posted in Tokyo and Stock- There was nothing to choose holm but it was only here, in the inescapable spotlight nf Madison Square Garden, that the third. Becker unleashed a lucky net cord pass, it seemed Boris Becker was able to couple of returns that left as if the volatile temperament eonvince his critics and im-

Mats Wilander, the world No. I. was the man on the opposite side of the net in the first of the round-rohin matches at the Masters and if he came off court with something of a dazed expression on his oormally immobile face, it

was no wonder. run away with the secood set Becker defeated Wilander 7- tie-break by seven points to 6, 6-7, 6-1, and that third set one. Luxury weekend and

enjoy a luxury tennis weekend, including coaching from Rod Laver and Vijay Amritraj and tickets for the Nabisco Masters

tickets for the Nabisco Masters doubles tournament, as his prize for winning a competition presented by The Times.

Mr Wright, aged 29, a member of the New Malden club, and a guest will enjoy overnight accommodation at the five-star London Hilton Hotel on Park Lane tomorrow week. They will be joined by two friends in a box for four at the semi-finals. The tournament is recognized as the

tournament is recognized as the world championship of doubles. A two-course meal with wine will be served and, either nn Saturday or Sunday, courtesy of Nabisco, all four will share a court for techincal advice from Laver, n former holder of the grand slam, and Amritraj, one of

coaching from Laver

Mr Wright said: "I am very pleased to have won. I was going to go anyway." And he is looking forward to advice from Laver: "I would like him to help my volley. He is still a good player — I saw him n few years ago."

Ten pairs of tickets to the

evening session on December 7, the opening day, have also been won. The answers were: Flach and Seguso; Hamilton Jordan; Anstralia; Evert, Zvereva, Navratilova, Sabatini; Edberg and Jarryd.

Winners: Il Constantinou, Lower Ciffton Hill, Bristoi; (Smyth, Pastere Grove, Leeds; A Taylor, Huma Creecent, Bridge of Allen; P Cartinell, Longcroft Avenue, Harpenden; Il Rutherford, Church Creecent, Finchley; E Broedbert, Dalitton Grove, Barrley Green, Birmingham; O Smith, Ravenswood Avenue, West Wickham; (Thomas, Savile Drive, Hellar; S Leyshon, Beech Close, Walton on Thames; M Craig, Noel Road, Islington.

No case to answer

No disciplinary action will be taken against Fred Davis, aged 75, the former world billiards and snooker champion, following his withdrawal from a qualifying match last June when he had arthritis.

Confusion arose because be

He then proceeded to win

four, including his fifth world

championship and began this

season by winoing two more.
Defeat in the final of the BCE

ionship, a tournament Davis

had won four years in a row and which prompted one supposedly

had not written officially to the governing body explaining his withdrawal.

As Becker flung down his racket in frustration when Wilander scored for the secbetween them in the first two sets but in the third game of ond time in five points with a

"They changed the match" that bas occasionally got the the Swede admitted after- West German into trouble was

wards. "Until then I was going to cost him the match. Yes, Boris lost coocentra-And so he should have tion there for five minutes," been. Haviog weathered much Wilaoder said. "It is very easy of what Becker had thrown at to do. But at our level it is also him -- huge serves and some easy to get it back again and he pulverizing forehand approach shots -- Wilander had mind."

The ability to channel anger and frustration to his own advantage is one of Becker's strengths when he is playing well and as he pointed out he has been perfectly happy with his game sioce winning the Stella Artois title at Queen's in Apart from winning at In-

dianapolis in the summer and in Tokyo and Stockholm more recently, Becker has shrugged off two foot injuries and bounced back with remarkable verve and confidence.

Andre Agassi also appeared to be in good form but it must be said that his opponent, Tim Mayotte, was far from his best as he went down in straight

Like Wilander, who insisted that he had felt no pain from the shin splint problem that had kept him off the circuit for weeks, Agassi seemed quite untroubled by a recent hand operation.

RESULTS: 2 Becker (WG) bt M Wilander (Swe), 7-6, 6-7, 6-1; H Leconte (Fr) bt S Edbarg (Swe), 5-4, 8-2; A Agassi (US) bt T Mayotte (US), 6-2, 6-4.

SNOOKER

Davis determined to make amends

By Steve Acteson The curtain rises today on socoker's newest tournament, the Everest World Matchplay, at the Brentwood Centre, Essex, an

event which boasts a 12-man 'clite" field and the game's first six-figure first prize of £100,000. The plot for the Matchplay was devised by socoker's leading private entrepreneur, Barry Hearn, in conjunction with Frank Warren and Mark Mc-Cormack's televisioo company, Trans World International (TWI), despite fierce early oppofessional Billiards and Snooker

TWI has sold the event worldwide, with ITV transmit-ting the series of head-to-heads White, his closest challenger in between last season's best the rankings, was followed last performers which formed the criteria for selection.

Despite the involvement of Despite the involvement of United Kingdom Champ-

the Matchroom chairman. Hearn, however, the Matchplay is not just another benefit for his eight players. Indeed, neither the world No. 3, Neal Foulds,

well just to win a single ranking mumament all term.

HOCKEY

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World

Cup plans

By Sydney Friskin

England's preparation for the 1990 World Cup tournament at Lahnre begins with an indoor training weekend at Aldenham

School Sports Centre from December 16 to 18, to which 19

The immediate aim is to select an indoor learn for the HDM tournament at The Hague

from January 13 to 15 and the

home countries quadrangular meeting in Glasgow on January 21 and 22. Scotland have also

announced their training squad for these tournaments.

Attention will later be focused

by England on selecting teams from the same squad for out-

door evenus which include

matches in Amsterdam against

Trophy tournament in Berlin

later in the month. Meanwhile.

England have decided not to

tournament at Lucknow i

ENGLAND SOLIAD: O Familioner (Mayan

players have been invited.

knowledgable observer to say: "It's sad to say, but I think we nor the withering Tnny Meo are witnessing the end of an gained selection. It does, though, provide an early vehicle

Davis's reply to anybody of Davis's reply to anybody of that upinion is "I think that that for Steve Davis to show that the curtaio is not yet ready to fall is a case of over-reaction. Any defeat burts but I was oot in the upon his domination.

At the beginning of the 1987least concerned. When I lose I just start thinking about the next 88 season, Davis, the world Nn. 1, declared that the way

snooker was hurgeoning there would soon come a time when players such as he would con-sider themselves to have done

Davis is not in actinn until TODAY'S ORDER OF PLAY: M Hallett (Eng) v W Thoma (Eng): T Griffiths (Wales) v P Francisco (SA); all matches best of 17 frames, sessions at 1pm and 7pm.

BASKETBALL

Successor faces a challenge

By Nicholas Harling

The candidates for the England coaching job, vacated yesterday, by David Titmuss will have good reason to wooder what they have let themselves in for as the Eoglisb Basket Ball Association sifts through the applicants.

If he is unlucky, the successor to Titmuss will find himself io charge of a team incapable of mastering some of the game's basics, on the evidence of the period in the first half of Wednesday's European championship tie against the Netherlands in Manchester's G-

Mex Centre. But if he strikes lucky, the new man will find himself with a-team able to rise to the heights with the kind of spirit and endeavour that enabled England to ultimately reduce the Dutch victory margin to 71-65 in the final group A game of the championships. Titmuss, who is to devote all his time to his club, Hemel/Watford Royals from nnw, is to recommend his

assistant, David Ransom, for

The name being bandied about most is that of Bob Mitchell, the England junior coach. Danny Palmer, who was assistant 10 Tilmuss's prede-cessor, Bill Beswick, makes no secret nf his desire to be appointed. The former England captain, Dan Lloyd, is also likely

BOWLS

Britain dominates in finals

From David Rhys Jones, Auckland

averted by Australia, whn, though they lost astrinishingly to the Cook Islands in their final

round-rohin game, kept Wales in second place in section B of

the fours event. The fours final between Australia and England gives Barbara Fuller's team a

chance to reverse the result of the triples final last week.

Millie Khan, of New Zealand,

England, Ireland and Wales are all represented in the finals today, emphasizing the British week, strengthened by the incluall represented in the finals today, emphasizing the British superiority in the sixth women's week, strengthened by the inclusion of Mary Price at three.

They lost nnly nne game nn their way in the final, though their narrow, oot to say lucky escape against treland nn Wednesday was repeated yesterday when Price bounced the increasing at two, and it will be interesting the price bounced the salvage some local pride wales to salvage some local pride wales play Ireland oot only in the singles final, but also in the single fina wurld championships.

Margaret Juhnston, uf Ireland, who won the pairs title last week, qualified yesterday for the singles final by beating Geua Tau, of Papua New Guinea, 21-16, and Maria Gismondi, of jack back up the green for a match-winning count against

Argentina, 21-8.
Johnston, always the favnurito to win the singles title, did
well to recover from early
selbacks when she lost to Wendy Line and Novi Browning in her first four games. But she has only occasionally shown the class expected of a potential

world champion.

Janet Ackland, from Penarth,
whn npposes Johnston in the
final has arrived unannunced
and by stealth, and without the entourage that accompanies Johnston.

Ackland, needing to beat Helen Graham, a Scottish-born Zamhian, tiptoed nervously into the final 21-16, after squandering a 10-1 lead. England's four includes the

seeks some crumbs from the master's table when she plays Maraia Lum On nf Fiji, for the bronze medal. Khan beat Senga McCrone in one of the best matches of the week to deny the Scot a chance of the medal that had always appeared within ber triple. Norma Shaw, Jayne grasp. The host country's much-

With one day remaining however, England, whose worst result came in the singles where Woody Line finished in seventh place, cannot be caught, Austraia are safe in second place, and lreland, though they might fin-ish with two gold medals and a bronze, will have to be content with making the frame.

has been played.

Hong Knng.

A British monopoly was related by Nan Allely, Ireland lost tamely and heavily

CHAMPIONSHIP RESULTS

SINGLES: Section A: Tenth round: M Single State State

Seventh piece: Line 25, Richardson 17. Ninth piece: Sywat 25, Soh 12, Eleventh piece: Macuy 25, Anderson 7. Tainteenth piece: Humphries 25, Browning 14. Fitheenth piece: Tau 25, Gordon 19. Seventheoth piece: Graham 25, Bougourd 19. Nineteenth piece: Jankelowitz 25, Farsimo 24. Twenty-first pieces: Schindler 25, Gismondi 21. Twenty-first piece: Haggerty.

FOURS: Section A: Tenth round: Scotland (S Gourlay, N Mutholiand, A Evans, F Whyse) 20, Unsted States 9: Singapors 13, Hong Kong 10: Canada 13, Israel 11; Instend (W Ellion, P Nolan, E Bell, N Allery) 13. Argantina 9: Weathern Samoa 21, Kanya 10: England (N Shew, J Roylence, M Price, 2 Fuller), bys. Everents round: Sociard 22, Israel 14: England 16, Hong Kong 14: Western Samoa 21, Iratind 9: Canada 15, United States 13: Singapore 15, Kanya 10; Argentine, bys. Section 8:

Teeth rounc: Australia 15, Botswana 7, New Zealand 14, Zambia 14, Zimbetwe 18, Cook Islands 8; Papus New Guinas 20, Norfolk Island 9; Guernsey (A Simon, H White, P Le Tisaler, J Nicolle) 17, Fiji 12; Wales (P Griffiths, M Hughes, L Parker, M Pomeroy), bye. Eleventh round: Cook islands 16. Australia 5; Papua New Stands 16. Australie 5; Papus New Guines 14. Zimbabwe 9; Weles 13, Fiji 9; Bosswena 23, Guernesy 6; Zambje 17, Noriok Island 8; New Zestend, bye. Playforts: Fifth places: Zimbabwe 28. Hong Kong 14. Seventh place: Papus New Guines 21, Scotland 9, Nitrih place: Western Samon 16. Cook Islands 16. Eleventh place: New Zealand 23, Canada 16. Thirteasth places: New Zealand 23, Canada 16. Thirteasth places: New Zealand 27, Canada 16. Thirteenth piece: Izrsel 27, Sottom 15. Fifteenth piece: Guernesy 32, Sin pure 9. Seventeenth piece: Zemble

CRICKET: OPENERS' MILESTONE BECKONS FOR GREENIDGE AND HAYNES

Hundreds elude the dominant partners

From John Woodcock

It is remarkable that neither Gordon Greenidge nor Des-mond Haynes, the most experi-enced and talented pair in opening bassmen io world cricket, has scored a Test hun-dred in Australia.

dred in Australia.

In West Indies' last seven Test matches. Inf which they have won six and drawn one. only Greenidge (103 against England at Lord's in Juoe) has reached three figures. Yet with fast bowling in a different class from their npponents it has hardly mattered.

Greenidge has played 24 Test innings over here with a line

innings over here with a inp score of 95. Haynes 23 with a score if 95, Haynes 23 with a highest of 63. Only Hubbs and Suncliffe and Lawry and Simpson ever made anything like as many Test runs together.

Greenidge and Haynes need only five more fir their npening partnerships fir West Indies, there have so far been 112, in be worth 5,000 runs. In 88 Tests Greenidge has scored 6,282

worth 5,000 runs. In 88 Tests Greenidge has scored 6,282 runs, including 15 hundreds, at an average of 46.8; Haynes's aggregate from 77 Tests is 4,593, including nine hundreds, at an average nf 39.9.

Although, or perhaps because, they are so different, they complement each other admirably

plement each other admirably.
While Greenidge hrunds.
Haynes beams. To the gold chain round Haynes's neck is attached the precept "Live, love and laugh". Greenidge, the more farmidable batsman of the two, is a man of few words.

two, is a man of few words.

When deciding not to reengage Greenidge for next season, Hampshire had to set the
tactiumity of his presence
against the power of his
strokeplay. With Haynes's personality, Greenidge might be a
Freeman of Southampton by now; or, more likely, he would never have been the great player he is. When the two of them count their blessings, high nn the list must be that they opened

the batting for West Indies rather than against them.
Haynes is looking for a job which will allow him to live, love, laugh and play in Perth next winter when West Indies are without Test crieket for six

Of the English professionals who are here now, David Capel turf, or has been doing pretty well and Matthew Maynard has been turf. The w making his share of runs for one of the weaker cluhs. Paul Atkins, nf Surrey, has come up with a hundred and Michael Roseberry, of Middlesex, with a fifty or two. What amazes West Australians is that England can

Eve level: Clive Lloyd studies the Test pitch. Tony King, his assistant, has an orthodox view

how to play.

As England's women were beating New Zealand in the World Cup on Wednesday evening, at the Willelinn Sports Club, there must have been seen than 100 local circles are the seen than 100 local circle

more than 100 local cricketers of all ages playing there in nets that were beautifully kept, some of turf, others with artificial

The weather was perfect, the gathering cosmopolitan, the enthusiasm infectious, and there to cast an eye on the younger Western Australian Cricket Association. I was told that something similar would have

afford nnt to find a place for Alex Stewart, who, for a year or two, has been showing them all neighbourhood of Perth.

• HYDERABAD: New Zealand delayed announcing their neighbourhood of Perth.

But if it gave nne an idea of how Western Australia's recent record in the Sheffield Shield has been second to none, there were minuses too. Everynne, bar a couple of iddlers, tore in to bowl as though he was a West Indian, nr perhaps Dennis Lillee, and the bats the boys were using were palpably too heavy for them. heavy for them.

I am beginning to think that bat manufacturers the world over, who make cabers for their customers, do have an awful lot to answer for. Who, when quickness and wristwork are

land delayed announcing their side notil this marning for the decisive third and final Test match here against India (AFP reports). A niggling ankle injury to Richard Hadlee forced the selectors to think in terms of adding a fifth bowler, possibly Chris Kuggeleijn, to the side, 'Hadlee will certainly play

but I am not sure we can take the risk of playing only foun-bowlers, even though this worked well for us at Bombay," John Wright, the New Zealand captain, said yesterday. The Indian seam bowler, Rashid Patel, who made an unsuccessful debut at Bombay. called for, would wisely use a was likely to make way for heavy sword? was likely to make way for Sanjeev Sharma.

Salim is quick to England work on Allert Accept capture top form eliminating extras quicken run

North Queensland by 96 runs in a limited-overs match here.

Salim, who scored 70 of his runs in boundaries, was iovolved in two big stands, 82 for the third wicket with Ijaz Ahmed and 128 for the fourth with Saeed Anwar. Ijaz made 43 and Saeed So beth seering at heter Saced 59, both scoring at better than a run a ball.

The Pakistan captain, Imran Khan, had a quiet opening to the tour, scoring 12 and failing to take a wicket on the lifeless pitch. His 10 overs cost 33 runs.

North Queensland batted consistently to reach 204 for seven in response to the touring

side's 300 for seven. Pakistan, who bave two matches against Queensland be-fore the start of the World Series Cup on December 10, expect leg spinner Abdul Qadir and Saleem Jaffer, who is recovering from an arm injury, to join the tour party next week.

Wales play Ireland oot only in the singles final, but also in the fours bronze play-off. Linda Parker's Welsh four form a compatible unit, with the vastly

to see if the Irish four, who seem to be tiring, can persevere to the

to Western Samoa yesterday after impressing for a long sequence of matches.

The special award to the top

team in the championships, taking the final places in all events into consideration, is never made until the last bowl

Extras (b 1, w 4, nb 10)

Total (7 wkts, 47 overs) 300 Asolb Javed and Mohsin Kamal did not. FALL OF WICKETS: 1-14, 2-14, 3-96, 4-224, 5-255, 6-271, 7-281.

BOWLING: Trickle 9-0-60-2; Hogan 8-0-51-3; Keding 10-0-68-0; Watson 5-0-26-1; Bennett 10-1-67-0; Harris 5-0-27-1.

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A Tickle and G Hogan did not bet. FALL OF WICKETS: 1-48, 2-93, 3-121, 4-136, 5-200, 6-204, 7-204. BOWLING: Innan 10-0-33-0; Akram 9-2-44-1; Aagub 7-1-21-1; Kamal 8-0-39-0; Mudassar 8-1-38-2; Taussef 5-1-14-1.

ICE HOCKEY

top form

before final

By Norman de Mesquita

British ice hockey's first show-

case event of the season, the Norwich Union Cup final, faces

off tomorrow afternoon at Bir-mingham's National Exhibition Centre and will be covered live nn BBC televisinn's Grandstand.

Durham Wasps are the Eng-

lish finalists, as expected, hut Tayside Tigers have come through the Scottish section

against the odds.

They started the competition

with two defeats, including one at bome to fancied Murrayfield

Racers, but then strung together six wins, including the vital one away to the Racers which clinched their final place.

Their leading scorer was Craig Homola with 20 goals and 20

assists, but he has since been replaced by Dave Stoyanovich,

who has scored 14 goals in only five Heineken League games since his arrival. Add to this Rick Fera's 46 goals this seasoo

and ohviously the Tigers do oot

lack scoring potential.

But will it be enough? The

Wasps are playing some of their

best hockey under the guidance of their player-coach, Mike

O'Connor, and their depth of Briosh talent is the envy of most

clubs.
They are unbeaten after 22

League and Cup games this season and have lost only once in 34 games since last March.

This is their fourth NUC Final

in five years and they will surely

Except that, when the final

was last played at the NUC, Nuttingham Panthers, contrary to all known form, beat Fife

Flyers in overtime and the

Wasps must beware of over-confidence.

Cairns, Queensland (Reuter) —
Salim Malik scored 126 from Malessar Nazar c Watson b Tickle — 0
Hands Raja c Watson b Hogan — 128 Salim Malk e Brean b Hogan — 128 Salim Malk e Brean b Hogan — 128 Salim Malk e Brean b Hogan — 128 On Wednesday, England's win over New Zealand. In recent years, New Indiana. opening in the fourth women's World Cup continues when they face the holders, Australia, in

North Sydney tomorrow. There are no injury worries in the 14-strong England party and the first task at their Sydney practice session was to work on eliminating the bigh number of

Zealand match. Twenty wides were conceded, with the seam bowlers uoable to adapt to the stiffer interpretation of the Australian umpires. There were also three no-balls

and the total of 33 extras provided New Zealand with their third highest score in an innings of 186 Australia entered having only lost one match in the four warmen's World Cups, the 1973 final to England. Their con-fidence was further boosted when they outclassed Netherlands by 255 runs in their Zealand have got the better of Australia io the annual Shell Rosebowl limited-overs competition.

England are likely to be nged for the match tomorrow, but Australia may consider recalling the pace bowler, Sally Griffiths, who was left out against Netherlands.

England have a bye in Sunday's round of matches, which, see Australia play Ireland and New Zealand face Netherlands, all in Sydney.

The unrelenting sunshine of Perth has been replaced by the; unpredictable steamy heat of Sydney and the World Cup organizers breathed a sigh of relief wheo Melbourne emerged from a lnng spell nf rain today. So severe have been con-ditions in Melbourne that wor-ries were already being vniced over the fitness of match venues .. when the tournament moves.

npening match in Perth. Australia did, however, make south nn December 9.

Wasps hit | Pleasurable pitstop to relive Walker's year

Continuing the selection by

won, the circuits are silent, but once again motor racing will be once again about racing win he re-enacted through the pages of the rash of annuals which flow from publishers during the weeks before Christmas.

As last year, this particular race has been won by First Formula Publishing, the first copy of whose Murray Walker's Grand Prix Year, a small-format but high-quality softback about the 1988 Formula One scene, came off the presses less than 94 hours after Murray stepped off the plane at Heathrow clutching his final words from the Austra-lian Grand Prix.

Walker's infections enthu-siasm for his work comes through in his characteristically high-revving prose, which once again is supported by Juhn Townsend's colourful photog-raphy and some slick caption writing, while his dedicated "beavering" in the paddock area shows through in the depth of his race analyses.

challenge the well-established market for the luxurious heavy-

SPORTS BOOKS

of the best of this year's sports books, John Blunsden looks at the motor-racing shelf. The champiouships have been

This book does not seek to

weight annuals, the elaborate production of which means that even the earliest is rarely avail-able until a week or two before able until a week or two before the holiday. Healthy competition between the "big three" heavyweights — Autocourse (Hazleton/Osprey), Automobile Year, and Grand Prix World Formula One Championship (both Meter Racing Publications) — tends to ensure ever higher standards of production each year, as a preview of some

each year, as a preview of some of the content of the latest

confirmed.
Nige! Mansell'a antobiography, Driven to Win (Stanley Paul), written with Derick.

Allsop, portrays a young man who has overcome considerable who has overcome considerable adversity to achieve his richly deserved success, who clearly enjoys the lifestyle which his hard-earned wealth has given him, but whose days would still be somewhat empty but for his wife and children. His comments on some of his contemporaries and associates, which range from admiration to hatred, add considerable spice to this volume.

Green Dust (Partabella Publishing) is an apt title for the history of motor racing in Ireland from 1900 to 1939, which Brendan Lynch has written with. such dedication. A true labour of love, the book recalls every event staged in the island, from sand, races nt Duncannon to the open-road Tourist Tropby at Ards and the Irish Grand Prix in Phoenix Park, Duhlin, and from littleknown club drivers to the likes of Campbell, Cobb, Bira and Segrave during an era when people went motor racing for the sheer love of the sport, not the monetary rewards.

• Marray Walker's Grand Prix

Year (First Formula Publishing. . £6.50). • Antoconrse

(Hazleton/Osprey, £19.95).

• Antomobile Year 1988-1989
(Motor Racing Publications, £22.95).

• Grand Prix: Formula One World Championship 1988 (Motor Racing Publications.

£14.95).

• Green Dust: Ireland's Uni of Green Dust: Ireland's Unique
Motor Racing History 1906
1939 by Brendan Lynch
(Portobello Publishing, £13.95).

O Driven to Win By Nigel
Mansell with Derick Allsop
(Stanley Paul, £10.95).

Ocean race that begins in a puddle

RUGBY UNION

Stricken Midlands may face North without Richards

London, who play the South and South-West at Gloucester, have been forced to make two amendments to their side for the opening round tomorrow of the Toshiba divisional championship. The Midlands, in worse case against the North, have had to make three and may yet be without

DGE AND HAYNES

Richards, the England No. 8. Harriman, the Harlequins wing who received his first England cap against Australia last month, has damaged ankle ligaments and his place goes to Smith (Wasps). Another Wasp is less fortu-nate: Rendall, the England loose-head prop, has a calf injury and is replaced by Curtis (Harlequins).

Still doubt on Norster

Wales should know early next week whether they will be without the lock forward, Bob Norster, for the international week (Peter Bills

Norster returns to a specialist on Monday for further examina-tion of the hand he damaged playing for the Barbarians against Australia. The hand is too swollen nt present to deter-mine the extent of the trouble

Nottingham utility back, will play at centre. There was always a query over Thomas, who has been

struggling with an injured knee for some weeks: he was unable to lead Warwickshire in their county championship win over the North Midlands on Wednesday and the scrumhalf place goes to Robson (Moseley), who toured Australia and Fiji with England last

Hodgkinson, the Notting-ham stand-off half and Mid-lands full back and goal-The Midlands, who play last season's champions at Otley, will he without Dodge lands full back and goal-kicker, has withdrawn with a heavily bruised pelvis. He will

is to the tendon that runs over the back of the hand. I have been told it might need a minor operation to stitch it internally,

be necessary.

"It feels slightly better than it did and I am optimistic. However, I won't play in the international unless I am confident about it. I cannot play for Cardiff at Swansea this weekend and I am hoping the injury will settle down after a weekend's rest."

(Leicester), Hodgkinson (Not- be replaced by Harris, the tingham) and Thomas (Cov- Leicester deputy stand-off, entry) for the journey north. while the prospects of Rich-Dodge pulled a hamstring ards recovering from a shoul-playing against Harlequins der injury are rated no higher than 60-40 by Alan Davies, than 60-40 by Alan Davies, the beleaguered Midlands coach whose casualty list of potential replacement backs already included Bates (Leicester), Steele (Northamp-

ton) and Jones (Nottingham). Wales, who today name their team to play Romania in Cardiff on December 10, must make at least two changes from the side which beat, Western Samoa last month. The two Halls, Wayne. (Bridgend's hooker) and Mike (the Cambridge centre), are unavailable, the former because of injury, the latter because of his commitment to play in the University match next Tuesday.

It is conceivable, therefore, that Ford (Cardiff) — re-instated by the Welsh Rugby Union this year after being suspended because of playing in a rugby league trial - may find a place on the wing. Mike Hall played in that position against the Samoans, the match in which Carwyn Davies, the Llanelli wing, was injured while two other previously capped wings, Ieuan Evans (Llanelli) and Webbe

Hart back as NZ selector

John Hart, who helped weld Auckland into arguably the most powerful provincial side in the world, was returned yes-terday to the New Zealand selection panel after a year away. Hart displaced Earle Kirton — once of Harlequins — and joins Alex Wyllie (con-venor) and Lane Penn on the

Hart and Wyllie were co-selectors with Brian Lochore of the All Blacks party which won the World Cup last year, and Hart coached New Zealand on tour in Japan in the annumn. But next year a punitive system of a year ago he offered himself red and yellow cards, as in

69-6 victory over St Joseph's, Ipswich. Their full back, Alli-

son, stage-managed a real tour

de force with 29 poiots himself.
A points count of 207 for and

101 against and eight wins from

II matches coofirm that

Three of their more satisfying victories were against Clifton (25-6). Canford (27-6) and Trunton (24-9). They have seven of their team in the Devon

18-group squad.
Rydal's light and inexperienced side have had their problems this winter but, following a

nervous victory over Denstone (16-14), with both sides kicking

late penalties, they managed a highly creditable 4-4 draw against Llandovery.

Workson, along with QEGS
Pearith, Owen's and Mount St
Mary's, visited France on their
half-term tours and competed in
a six-team tournament at

Meymac, Correze. Worksop beat QEGS (4-0) but

lost to Brive. Mount St Mary's beat Ussel (12-6) and Owen's

only as convenor — that is, coach to the national side — and the New Zealand Rugby Union couccil opted for Wyllie ahead of him

This offers the prospect of Wyllie and Hart preparing the New Zealand sides which will play France during the summer and tour Wales and Ireland next. autumn — a formidable combination. nation, New Zealand XVs over the last three years have been full of Auckland players familiar with Hart's perceptive methods. New Zealand will introduce

football. Having abandoned the sin-bin earlier this year, they will adopt the system io domestie matches, with two yellow cards in the same match leading to immediate expulsion.

The council will also submit

to the International Rugby, Football Board proposals that all six replacements in international matches may be used and that a froot-row forward injured during a game may be replaced without reference to medical opioion; as the law oow stands, replacements can ooly be used after a doctor says an

Rossall's strength takes toll

Wellington continued their proved much too strong for wonderful season, which has brought 10 wins from 10 matches, with a hard-fought 18-12 victory over Tonbridge. Fit-12 victory over Tonbridge. Fitness may have been the crucial factor as, with 15 minutes to go, Tonbridge were leading 12-8.
But Wellingtoo's 10 points in against Felsted (14-6) with a 3-0 factor as, with 15 minutes to go, Tonbridge were leading 12-8. But Wellingtoo's 10 points in the last 10 minutes plus a 4-1 try count and 14 men for half try-count proved decisive. Gresham's, also unbeaten, scored 12 tries in their masterful

Wellington keep

up unbeaten run

Schools rugby by Michael Stevenson

Milton Abbey have been beaten narrowly by Bryanston, King's Bruton, Wells Cathedral School and Bishop Wordsworth but to offset these have good winter the second Carlond wins to report against Canford Second XV, Dunataey's, Shaftesbury and Derchester Blundell's, who also play on a strong circuit, are having a good season. They lost 17-12 to King's, Taunton, and 13-3 to both Sherbarne and Bryanston.

One of the most pleasing wins for St Paul's was at Epsom (12-14). St Paul's scored two tries to one and seemed to be cruising comfortably when their No. 8, Munroe-Davies, went off with a

cut eye.

Colfe's are having a rather disappointing season. They lost narrowly to Ramannel, Judd, Sevenoaks and Dartford, only losing decisively to Campion.

They have beaten St Olave's and Maidstone.

RGS Worcester have been in fine fettle. Their only loss was to

RGS Worcester have been in fine fettle. Their only loss was to Cheltenham (26-13) and they have won the other nine of their 10 matches. They beat Warwick (26-0), Longhborough GS (22-9) and Bristol GS (32-10). They have scored 45 tries, more or less equally divided

In a mixed season, St Ed-ward's, Liverpool, appreciated their hard struggle against their neighbours and rivals, St Anselm's, Birkenbead, whom they beat 10-6 after a scoreless

By Michael Stevenson

Rossall School Trinity GS, Sydney 3

Trinity Grammar School, who fielded a mixture of under-16 and senior players, showed great spirit at Fleetwood yesterday where Rossall's superior strength brought them command in the final quarter.

A biting wind made handling difficult and Fearn, the Rossail stand-off half, did not have the happiest of games in the taxing, conditions. It was 3-3 at half-time,

through a penalty from Fearn; and one by Day for the visitors, but Trinity had squandered two clear cut scoring chances. Their large lock, Savage, masqueraded as a centre to the detriment of one promising move and then Peacock passed too early to the right wing, Demetriou, who was nobbled by the cover.

With the icy, diagonal wind slightly favouring Rossall, the Australians were soon under extreme pressure in the second half and they took down a scrum to concede a penalty try which Fearn converted.

Cunningham poached a Trinity heel near the line and Lee scored, for Fearn to coovert, and scored, for Fearn to coovert, and soon afterwards Lee scored ScoreRs: Rosealt Tries: Lee (2). Pensity try, Cenversions: Fearn (2) Pensity try, Cenversions: Fearn (2) Pensity: Fearn, Trinity (3): Pensity: Day, ROSSALL: S Holmes; J Forrester, C Mawdstey, T Supphenson, A Roberts: A Fearn, G Wilson; B Beldwin, 1 Selicuid, A, Pictering, G Gatenby, M Easher, O Styth, G Currelinghen, J Lee.
TRINITY GS: S Day; A Dematriou, E Campbell, C Lewrence, M Chen; J Pensock, A Roy; A Blackshaw, M Okey, a Smith, G Thompson, a Savage, M Derby, A Avenarius, S Leeder.
Referee: C Davies (Manchester).

SPORT ON TV

Rivals contest high stakes

Germans. They are sending three members of their Olympic gold medal winning team: Franke Sloothaak (Walzerkoenig), Ludger

BASKETBALL

CYCLING

ETON FIVES

FOR THE RECORD

Services seek few to carry

revitalized yachting hopes

of the 400 applicants were being sieved at Aldershot yesterday.

It was very much a shouldersback, stiff-upper-lip sort of day.

The aim of n three-part physical
test seemed to be to try to break
the sinews and then the spirit of

all concerned. On an eerily dank

morning the masaspecting can-didates - "I thought we might

just have to chart a few maps or rig a few sails," one complained — were led off into the mist.

The sharp, clipped tones of the drill sergeant rang out from afar. Then, one-by-bedraggled-one, they came back into view. You would not have found this

lot at Cowes in high season, with their mod-streaked, sweat-soaked tracksuits rapidly dis-appearing behind their own

A phalanx of physical training instructors had shepherded

them from one side to the next.

Sympathetic, but in an

"No. 53, your teeth are chatter-ing, run on the spot" - they were

on the lookout for any sign of weakness. Some of the np-

EQUESTRIANISM

Aldersbot is a funny place to will be interchanged at various start n life on the ocean wave. stages of the race. The last 100

Aldersoot is a many putter to start n life on the ocean wave. Not n boat to be seen; not a coastline for many n mile; and not n drop of water in sight. Unless, that is, you count the

numerous dishwater-grey pud-

And count them is exactly what a hundred or so would-be

sailors did as they strode, slashed or even crawled their

stance or even travied their way through every one of them. Aldershot may not be the most aquatic place on earth, but, as the Army is proud to maintain, as a place for testing the physique and psyche there is nowhere finer.

nowhere finer.

Especially when there is £3 million at stake. That is the amount the combined services have raised through private sponsorship to mount a challenge for next year's Whithread Round The World yacht race. The boat itself will cost £1.7 million and is due to be launched next February.

next February.

It is the services' first entry

for 10 years and they are making

sure that they get the right crew

for such an investment. Or crews, to be precise. For the plau is to have three crews of 15 who

The two giants of European show jumping, John Whitaker's Next Milton and Pierre Durand's Olympic Gold Medal winning horse, Jappeloup de Luze, who should have coofronted each other in Seoul had Next Milton been allowed to go, will meet instead at the Bordeaux Volvo World Cup which

begins today.
The show, one of the most competitive in the series of 12 qualifiers, has increased its prize money by nearly 50 per cent and is offering one million francs (£100,000) over the three days of

Durand and Whitaker have a special affinity with the show. Whitaker won the event in 1984 on Clonee Temple and in 1985 on Next Milton, Durand, who lives just outside the city and who thrives in front of his adoring home crowd, won with Jappeloup de Luze in 1986 and has never finished outside the top seven in the last six years. For this year's qualifier on Sunday, Whitaker, on recent Beerbaum (Landlord) and Wolf-gang Brinkmann (Pedro).

form, must start as favourite, While Jappeloup de Luze has been resting after his trip to Seoul, Next Milton, benefiting from his rest during the Olym-Britain's five-strong team is the best it can muster. In addition to Whitaker, it consists pie Games, has won record prize money in the last two months: £40,000 at Wembley in October, of Nick Skelton (Screnade), Robert Smith (April Sun), Michael Whitaker (Next Flarepath) and David Broome (Queensway Countryman). £5,000 plus a Mcrecdes at Stuttgart in West Germany last month and, a week later, £3,000 in his first World Cup event of

Broome, though not in-terested in qualifying for the final in Florida in April, is the season at Amsterdam where, the scason at Amsterdam where he was fourth Although the Rob Ehrens, of the Netherlands, the current leader in the European League of the World Cup after his wins at Helsinki and Amsterdam, will not be competing this weekend — he sold his leading horse. Olympic Sunrise, for £300,000 to the American, Bernie Traurig, last month attracted by the high prize money at Bordeaux. "I wouldn't go even if I qualified," he said yesterday. "I never do any good at the final. Whitaker makes no bones

plicants were not even regular

According to General Carlier,

recently returoed from commanding the British forces in the Falklands, it mattered little. "Compatibility is the cru-cial thing," he said. "They have got to be able to get on with each other."

carrying a log.
It was a tortuous three-h

physical session. If that failed to break them, then the probing

two-hour psychological test which lay before them in the

afternoon might. Yet, through the adversity, they remembered their lines to the end. "How do

you feel?" one of the women was asked. "I'm absolutely ex-hausted," she said, then pansed

and added: "But happy."

whitaker makes no bones about his intention to qualify for the final. He is competing at three World Cup meetings in succession with Next Milton, Bordeaux, Brussels and Olympia, in a attempt to qualify before Christmas. He has been at every final since the comnie Traurig, last month — Durand and Whitaker face strong opposition from the West at every final since the competition started in 1979 but has yet to improve on his joint third place with Ryan's Son in 1982.

ATHLETICS Nebiolo under scrutiny by

Roman judge

Rome - A Rome magistrate has

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION (NBA): Boston Calbos 133, New Jersey Nets 100: Detroit Pistons 114, Indiana Pacins 111: Ser Antionio Sours 105, Milami Heat 101: Philadelphia 75ers 114, Portiand Trail Blazars 106: Houston Rockats 101: Dales Mayericks Bit Utah Jezz 107, Chicago Bulis 53: New York Knicks 135, Loe Angeles Cappers 128 (OT): Loe Angeles Cappers 128 (OT): Loe Angeles Cappers 128 (OT): Loe Angeles Cappers 108. officially opened an investiga-tion into the Italian Athletics Federation (Fidal), and on Wednesday he interrogated the federation's president. Primo Nebiolo, and the federation general secretary. Luciano Barra (Paul Bompard writes). Both ZURICH: Siz-day race: Third day: 1, D Gissper and J Musiler (Swizz) 20pts. 2, at 1 lap: Z A Baffi and P Bincoletio (t), 50; 3, U Frauler (Swizz) and R Hermann (Luch), 50; 4, V Diehl and R Guernher (WG), 20; 5, D Clark (Aus) and A Doyle (GB), 12. have been officially notified that they are under investigation for suspected malpractice in assign-ing a contract to the Insport company without the proper procedure.

At the end of 1979, Fidal awarded Insport an eight-year contract to manage its advertis-ing and promotional campaigns. There are two versions of the minutes of the meeting at which

the contract was assigned.

Magistrates decided to open an inquiry after Giuliano Tosi, vice-president of Fidal, showed them a copy of the minutes of the November 25, 1979, meeting in which the contract is not mentioned.

going power struggle among rival factions within Fidal and its parent body, the Italian FOOTBALL

Liverpool ready to announce their verdict on Molby

Jan Molby, the Danish inter-national, will this moming be given the opportunity to resurrect his career with Liverpool. Molby, aged 25, was released from Preston prison yesterday morning after serving six weeks of a three-month sentence imposed on October 17 for reckless driving. His future will be discussed at a top level meeting at Anfield where he will meet with John Smith, the Liverpool chairman, Peter Robinson, the

Although Liverpool have de-clined to discuss the affair since announcing, so October 20, that Molby's wages had been sus-pended as he was technically in breach of his contract, a statement is expected to be issued at lunchtime today.

cluh's chief executive and Kenny Dalglish, the team

Molby will be asked to ex-plain his actions and, if he is to remain with the club, give an undertaking about his future behaviour. He may niso be asked to make some form of public apology for the embarrassment he has caused 10 British football's most success-ful ever club.

While Liverpool have been understandably reluctant to express any form of public support for Molhy during his imprisonment, it is clear that they are ready to forgive if not forget.

The player himself is also be been to prolong

thought to be keen to prolong his association with the Football League champions while fully aware that he could, if he so wished, secure a financially lucrative move to the continent Molby, who joined Liverpool from Ajax of Amsterdam in 1984, has made 147 senior appearances for the elub.

To evade a posse of media representatives, the Dane was smuggled out of the prison at the end of the night shift in the boot of a warder's car. He was then of a warder's car. He was then driven to the car park at Deepdale, the home of Prestoo North End Football Club, where

he climbed out of the boot, and into his own car, which was being driven by a friend.

At the request of Mr Molby. one of my senior staff did take him out in the boot of his car. As far as is possible, the prison will

try to protect a prisoner's anonimity," Kevin Rogers, the

Cup defeat fires **Kidderminster**

Non-League football by Paul Newman

Kidderminster Harriers go to Newport County tomorrow hop-ing to maintain a remarkable improvement in their fortunes io the past five weeks.

io the past five weeks.

Since a miserable October, in which they suffered three successive GM Vauxhall Conference defeats and went out of the FA Cup, Kidderminster have won five league games in succession and opened a four-poiot gap at the top of the table.

The cup defeat at Safford The cup defeat at Stafford Rangers could prove to have been a turning point in Kidder-minster's season. Graham Alloer, the manager, said: "After that match I told the players that with the league games we could play through being out of the cup we could get to the top of the table by the time of the second round. We've done just that — and ahead of schedule.

"We've deliberately got in a lot of games early this season. By January 7 we will have played 27 league matches and will have only six left away from home. As we cormally do better in the second half of the seasoo position. Going to the top of the table can frighten some teams,

There was a lot of willing support for the five women who were battling through the mire with the best of them. If selected, Fit Lt Sian Alexander, aged 27, from RAF Wroughton, may have the easiest job of all the specialists on the crew; she is a midwife. "Doing this makes n nice change from babies" bottoms," she gasped, before setting off on a two-mile hike carrying a log. mided to be ready if they are given the chance of promotion to the Football League and they bope to begin work early next year on a £450,000 scheme involving improvements to terracing, turnstiles, safety bar-riers and crowd segregation. In terms of players, Kidderminster appear well equipped for League football. The club's successful reserve and youth sides are providing a steady stream of players for the first,

but it has inspired us."

Kidderminster are deter-

team, or players for the first, team, more than half of whom are 23 or under. Only four memebers of the side that won the FA Trophy last year, Brazier, Barton, Davies and Tuohy, are now first team regulars. A fifth member of the Wem-

bley team, the prolific goalscorer Casey, is returning to fitness in the reserves after breaking a leg. "Having him available again is like having the chairman say that even though we're top we can go out tomorrow and buy the best player in non-League football," Allner said.

Boxall is the only other injured absentee for the trip to Newport, who, after a dreadful start, have lost only two of their last eight Conference matches. Newport are one point behind the elub fourth from bottom, Enfield, who entertaio second placed Kettering Town tomor-row. Macclesfield Town, in third place, are at home to Stafford, and fourth plays fifth when Maidstone United entertain Barnet.

The bottom two clubs, Ayles-bury United and Weymouth, were due to meet but Weymouth have to go to Guernsey for a Dorset Senior Cup match against a club called Northerners.

Northerners.

Stuart Morgan, the Weymouth manager, said: "We
should be concentrating on our
league form, but at least this
break gives us a chance to get
players available again. We had;
live regulars out had; leaves or suspension for our last league match."

• Three HFS Loans League clubs have new managers. Gary Saxby, who will be assisted by his brother, Mike, has taken charge at Alfreton Town; Mick Heaton, formerly assistant to Howard Kendall at Everton, succeeds Ian Hall, who was dismissed by Workington last week; and Alan Humphries replaces Brian Fidler, who resigned at Worksop Town.

 John Murphy, who resigned as manager of Cheltenham Town earlier this season, has been appointed manager of Trowbridge Town, the Beazer Homes League club.

BOXING

Tired McKenzie given time to regain snap

By Srikumar Sen, Boxing Correspondent

Duke McKenzie was yesterday Mason, Terry Lawless's heavygiven time to rediscover his old weight, would du well to keep on snap, which was missing during boxing and take on Trevor his bout with Amemio Ruiz, a Hughrov Currie for the yearn former Mexican flyweight champion, at the Elephant and Castle recreation centre on Wednesday night.

After the contest, Mckenzie. whose accuracy was not up to its usual standard, said he needed a rest. Yesterday he succeeded in a request to his manager, Mickey Duff, to postpone his first International Boxing first International Boxing Federation flyweight title de-fence which had been due on January 18 at the Albert Hall.

"I felt tired. There was no snap in me." McKenzie said. "I have spent 18 months preparing for a world title fight and I have been champion now for the last iaded and drained. Everything Duff, agreeing to move the date, said: "It will now be

February or even March. I'm going to America on Saturday and I'll be looking at possible On the other hand, Gary

Hughroy Currie for the vacant British title while his win over his first "name" heavyweight, James Tillis, of Oklahoma, is still fresh in his mind, perhaps on the January date.

By stopping Tillis in the fifth
round, Mason equalled the feat
of his stahlemate, Frank Bruno.

and joined an elite club of world-class heavyweights to have stopped the Oklahoman. It will have done Mason's confidence a world of good. Even if Tillis had come out of retirement for this assignment. there was some smart boxing from him. He made Masor work every step of the way and take some heavy blows. By the end Mason knew he had been in a scrap, which was a new experience for the unbeaten

the distance. contests Mason may think of taking on Francesco Damiani, of Italy, the world No. 2 after Вгипо.

heavyweight who had won all hus one of his 27 contests inside

SKIING

Frost bites for Figini From Iain Macleod, Val d'Isère

Snow, the gold dust of the Alps, conditions, still less than per-

has still to materialize here in the quantity which will offer peace of mind to the organizers of the two World Cup downhill The men's event, on Sunday,

is still in doubt, and Val d'Isère may have to content itself with the women's race, which seems certain to take place today. Conditions yesterday showed some improvement and the

women were able to have two training runs, during which they experienced only minor problems. A sharp frost overnight hardened the course and most of the skiers were in a happier frame of mind than had been

evident 24 hours earlier. Once again, the placings in the two runs threw up an intriguing notion: that a new generation of skiets is threatening to break into the top flight, or that the

fect, constitute a serious disadvantage for the seeded skiers. There is probably a measure of truth in both. But the champion Michela Figini. of Switzerland, showed no sign of casing up; she was fastest on the second run. That she did not finish the

first run was not her fank. Elisabeth Kirchler, of Austria, who had gone before her, fell and as Figini prepared to depart a late attempt to stop her was in vain. She was forced to abandon the run halfway down. Figini said that there was little

snow on the top part of the course. "It is good for skiing and the surface is now much harder." Carole Merle, of France, who was placed third and sixth, agreed. "It is harder and more difficult to grip the skir," the said.

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(16-4). Worksop lost their semi-final (0-4) to Ussel but Brive **REAL TENNIS**

Cornwallis is a faller at second hurdle

Magda Groszek defeated Melvyn Pignon, the former captain of the England women's hockey team, 6-5, 6-5 in the second round of the George Wimpey women's open singles championship at Queen's Club. London, yesterday after Pignon has led 5-3 in both sets (William Stephens writes).
Alex Warren-Piper, last year's

runner-up, defeated Charlotte Cornwallis 6-0, 6-2 after Cornwallis had won a tough first match against Alison Cockroft by 4-6, 6-1, 6-0. Warren-Piper now plays

Rosalind Lake who beat Jill Brown 6-5, 6-0, while Groszek meets Penny Fellows, the French Open champun, who climinated Lesley Ronaldson, a former British Open champion.

by 6-2, 6-3.

RESULTS: First round: G Dean bt J Vaughan, 6-3, 6-3, C Cornwells: bt A Cockroft, 4-6, 6-7, 6-0, R Lake bt E Doved, 6-4, 6-1, J Page bt S Macratosh, 6-3, 6-3, C Ronaldson bt F Macratosh, 8-4, 3-0 (red.) Second round: S Jones of Dean, 6-0, 6-1, a Warren-Poor bt Cornwells: 6-0, 6-2, Lake bt J Brown, 8-5, 6-0, M Brogst bt P Donby, 6-1, 6-4; M Groszek tz M Prgron, 6-5, 6-5, P Fellows bt Ronaldson, 6-2, 8-3, Men's open singles, guarter-finet; L Ceuchar (unaxit) to J Johnson (Queen's) 6-1, 6-5, 5-6, 6-1.

Men's open doubles, guarter finat; J 1.6-5.5-6.6-1.
Nen's open doubles, quarter final: J
Hen's open doubles, quarter final: J
Howell (Bordesus) and K Sheidon (Leanington) by M Deen and C Roneldson
Plampton Court), 6-1, 6-2, 3-8, 3-8, 6-4.

TODAY'S FIXTURES 7.30 unless stated SNOOKER: World Match Play champ ionship (Brentwood). SWIMMING: Milk In Action Grand Prox (Dundee); Barnet short course meet **Barclays League** Third division Southend v P Vale (7.45) TENNAS: LTA winter indoor county championships (various venues).

Fourth division Halifax v Crewe Torquay v Cambridge Tranmere v Doncaster RACERALL 1988: ITV 45 a.m. (to

SMIRNOFF IRISH LEAGUE: Crusaders v Bengor.
OVENDEN PAPERS COMBINATION:
Reading v Charlion (1.30). OTHER SPORT

BADMINTON: Cariton/Vauxitell challenge

Winmau world masters (Ken-

SPORT ON FRIDAY: 88C2 2.15-3.50 p.m.: Sporting choice: Stave Davis and Barry Hearn discuss their favourite sporting moments. Sports Personality of the Year A rundown of the contenders. TRY THIS

Paul Maher's suggestion for a sporting day out

BRITISH RHYTHMIC INDIVIDUAL CHAMPIONSHIPS: Baaad on dance, this form of gymnastics requires each competitor to perform a senes of leaps, skips, jumps and throws, using hand apparatus, to the accompaniment of music. Rope, hoop, ball and ribbon are the four disciplines.

Tomorow at Worcester, competitors will attempt to impress the judges with their interpretation of the music and the choreography of their routine. With four apparatus titles to be won, good body technique and general impression will also count towards overall marking. The retirement of the Individual senior champton club, after the Olympic Gemes, has left the competition

open. Favoured for the champ-ionship is Alicia Sands, of Coventry ionship is Alicia Sands, of Coventry, who won in 1987.

However, she can expect strong opposition from two junior prospects, Joanne Rose, the junior individual champion, and Sonia Harris, both of Coventry. They are competing as a result of the revised grading structure in which gymnasts, who have progressed from the junior ranks, forego the probationary year at senior level if they have the necessary marks.

How to get there: The champion-ships are at Perdiswell Sports Centre, Bilford Road, Worcester (Tel 0905-57189). Admission is £1.50 for adults and 75p for children and pensioners. Competition starts at 10.15 a.m. until 6.15 p.m.

PONTYPRIDD: Wales 3, trained 4 (Websh natures first): Wissen's shaples: C Viger lost to M Moynibao, 3-11, 4-11, Marin's singles: C Rees bt I. McKerna, 15-8, 15-5: P Hybart lost to J Coffor, 9-15, 9-15. Meer's deshibles: A Spencer and P Sutson bt M O'Niesra and W Thompson, 17-16, 15-5, 12-2, A Carriott and R Burlon lost to P Perguson and R Kasp, 1-15, 3-15. Wessen's deshible: S Doody and H Tariston lost to H Lane and C Dohry, 15-11, 11-15; 15-17. Missed deshible: C Fises and Albes S Doody bt P Perguson and H Lane, 15-10, 6-15, 15-12.

ICE HOCKEY NATIONAL LEAGUE (NHL): Montreal Car-agians 6. Hartlord Winalers 3; Pittsburgh Pengules 6. Wissington Capitals 4; Buttelo Sabres 6. Custoc Rondouss 2; Edmonton Oilors 4, Vancouver Canacites 2.

ICE SKATING BELGRADE: World junior championahipe: Pairs (final positions): 1, E Chemistova and D. Sudmanov (USSR), 1.5pts: 2, A Caspari and M. Kreft (Ed.), 35: 3, 1 Salidolinova and A. Tikhonov (USSR), 4.0. British piacing: 8, C. Bertier and M. Aldred, 120. Man (a)ther short programma): 1, V Zagorodnyuk (USSR), 1.0; 2, S. Clark (US), 2.0; 3, M. Kagijama (Japan), 5.0.

SQUASH RACKETS

MUSCAT: Al Faini world grand prix tour-nament Semi-dusic Jarother Khan (Paid) of R Norman (NZ), 9-5, 9-2, 9-0; Januargir Khan (Pek) of C Distrer (Aus), 9-7, 3-9, 9-5, 9-4. TENNIS

FOOTBALL OVENDEN PAPERS COMBINATION: Norwich v Arsensi — postponed. ARGENTINIAN LEAGUE: San Lorenzo 5, Sen ARCENTINIAN LEADUE: San Lerenzo S. Seri Marin 1; Boce Juniors 2, Racing Cordido 1; Platieres 1. Ferro Carrii Oessi 1 (7-6 cn penetres); Incependiente 1, Instituto 1 (4-8); Estudentes 2, Newells Did Boys 0; Clamatery y Esgress 1, Roserio Central D. Armanio 0, Mandiyuu 0 (4-2); Argeninos Juniors 3, River Plate 2. Deportrio Español 2. Velez Sersifield 2 (5-8); Racing Club 1, Tallereo 0, PORTIUCIJESE LEADUE: Chewes 2, Porto 0; Sporting 2, Maritimo 2; Setudel 2, Betrefrets 1; Peretret 1, Portimoserse 0; Fafe 2, Boira Mar 1; Amadosa 1, Farente 0; Espiñol 1, Culmarae 2 Boerbes 2, Visua 0; Brage 1, Lexosa C; Nacional 0, Berifica 1.

HIGHGATE: Adams Cap: Semi-Book: 2 Matthews and R Chattergee bt A Kong and T Brooks, 2-0; A Snelson and A Carrier fast to E Aton and I. Martin, 2-1. Finet: Marmers and Chattergee bt Alton and Martin, 2-0. Wood Paster Finet: Kong and Brooks bt Shahon and Carrier, 2-0.

The general feeling in Rome, however, is that the whole affair is merely one episode of an on-

races this weekend.

The best of the action from the world of sport



In colour: the giants of the White Circus of skiing



George Graham: the test of his title challenge



The childhood memories of Rory Underwood



Peter Scudamore: the top jockey's inside story

END COLUMN

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the right

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Sir Rhodes Boyson, aged 63,

the former minister, scourge of permissiveness, and still prob-

ably the nation's best-known

ex-headmaster, makes an un-

likely Conservative rebel, but

that is the way he is moving

over the Government's pro-

posals for compulsory identity cards for football supporters. As *The Times* disclosed yesterday, Sir Rhodes is

making common cause with

Tory backbenchers from the

measure that stems directly

from the Prime Minister's ahhorrence of foothali

hooliganism.
It is the kind of measure

that Sir Rhodes, a supporter of both corporal and capital

punishment, would be ex-

pected to endorse. The fact

that he does not will he giving

ministers and Government

whips cause for concern. Yes-

terday, Sir Rhodes gave a

further insight into his reasons

First, anlike most Labour

opponents of the scheme, he

believes everyone should carry

cipally to belp the police in

tackling what he regards as

the breakdown in law and

order. To that end, the bear-

er's fingerprints and thamb-prints should be appended. He

also believes such a card-

should give details of, say,

blood group and organ donor

an identification card, prin

for rocking the boat.

left of the party in oppos

failing

Colin Moynihan, the Minister for Sport, has written to the Football Association asking why the cases of the pro-fessional players who bave recorded positive drug tests have not been reported to the Sports Council.

The FA said last month that there had been a number of incidents, which it described as "fewer than a handful, less than five" when players had taken ephedrine.

The FA, which has been carrying nut drug testing since 1979, was satisfied that in all cases the drug was part of medicaments. Ephedrine is a common decongestent component in many cold remedies.

Moynihan, who yesterday toured the Drug Control Centre at King's College, London University, told Graham Kelly, the secretary-designate, in his letter: "It is the central feature of the new drug testiog regime set up in April that all the findings of banned drugs, in accordance with the International Olympic Committee procedures, should be reported to the Sports Council review panel.

The requirement applies even when the governing body is satisfied that the finding arises from the therapeutic use of the drug.

I understand that the review panel has received no report of ephedrine in samples collected as part of the controls in football. This could undermine public coofidence in the effectiveness of the control.

The FA last night rejected suggestions by Moynihan that they were ignoring positive drug tests oo players. Kelly said: "Football is clean. We have nothing to hide."

Although the FA pays for its testing in League and Cup matches, because they are professional events, it is using facilities at King's College which are funded by tax-

payers' money. The use of epbedrine is banned hy both of football's international governing bodies, FIFA and UEFA, and the Scottish FA has adopted a

different attitude. It has strictly followed UEFA's list of banned drugs. A spokesman said: "UEFA has ephedrine as a banned drug and as we are members of it we are subject to that list." He said that England can afford not to follow the list because its clubs are not involved in European

Many medical officials would like a definite level to be established for ephedrine, as is done with caffeine. If a similar approach was adopted hy the IOC and the Sports Council then individuals could use medicaments for colds without risking controversy.

Football Vintage claret to to report whet the palate drug test for connoisseurs

By Stuart Jones Football Correspondent

The most attractive tie in the quarter-finals of the Littlewoods Cup will be dressed in claret. When it is draped in the traditional colours of West Ham United and Aston Villa in some six weeks, Upton Park promises to stage another night as rich in colour as vintage wine.

As was illustrated in their own respective homes in midweek, the two sides are committed to attack whenever they step on to the path to Wemhley. On Wednesday they raised their collective total of goals in the competition so far to 30 in a mere eight ties.

Although West Ham's coorribution was smaller (four on the night compared to Villa's six), their achievement was bigger. Not for 49 years had Liverpool, who were considered the favourites to collect the trophy for the fifth time this decade, been beaten so comprehensively in a

domestic cup competition. The prospect of challenging Liverpool invariably inspires their opponents. Everyone at Anfield two months ago, for

Paul Gascoigne, the Totten-

player, was banned from driv-

ing for six months and fined

£75 hy Gateshead magistrates

He drove a Volkswagen

sponsor at 97.7 m.p.h. on the

A69 at Gateshead. Tyne and

The Littlewoods Cup is prov-

iog a happy hunting ground

for Aston Villa this season.

After scoring seven goals

against Birmingham and removing Millwall with three

in earlier rounds they over-

whelmed lpswich Town 6-2 in

the fourth round at Villa Park

on Wednesday night. Platt was responsible for four goals

and McInally the other two as

Villa took a large step towards

overcoming their complex

Such prolific returns from

his forwards will have won

Graham Taylor, the Aston

Villa manager, and a leading

Robson in the England post, a

few more friends at Lancaster

Gate. However, Brian Clough,

a less likely candidate for the

contender to succeed Bobby

about winning at home.

ham Hotspur and England his £2 million transfer from

yesterday after he admitted his licence for past offences.

Jetta loaned to him by a told the court losing his

Fifth round draw

Leicester or Nottingham Forest QPR or Wimbledon Bradford or Everton v Bristol City Ties to be played week beginning January 16

The League champions were outplayed, in spite of being

Whereas the standards Liverpool once set were beyond the reach of their rivals, they are being surpressed, if only momentarily. West Ham's captain, Martin, feels that the belief which was poured into his colleagues during their stunning victory will seep into their perfor-

mances io the first division. If so, it is inconceivable that they will remain nineteenth, a position which seemed to be absurdly false. Yet they must again assume the characteristics of their soubriquets, "iron" and "hammer", in the local East End derby at Millwall tomorrow if they are

to maintain their progress. Melnally, for one, will trust that West Ham's fires are doused. Before destroying lpswich Town (he claimed two example, will remember the goals and Platt the other four), heights that Arseoal scaled in Villa's leading scorer could see the opening third round tie. himself appearing in the final City.

Newcastle United. He in-

curred the ban after being told

he had 10 penalty points on

in Hoddesdon, Hertfordshire,

licence would cause him

Filbert Street's largest

crowd for five years, 26,704,

saw Clough's Nottingham For-

est reduced to 10 men when

Pearce was sent off a minute into the second half following

Leicester failed to capitalize

on their numerical advantage

and the match finished

goalless. However, Jimmy

Ouinn, the Leicester forward.

refuses to believe that his team

faces an uphill task in the

replay at Nottingham on

Tuesday, December 13.

a reckless tackle oo Reid.

"great hardship".

Gascoigne, who now lives

aged by David Pleat, who 18 us, either, but they have a

months ago would have lovely surface up there and we raoked right up alongside are still in there fighting," he Taylor io the England betting.

"We don't feel we have Plough Lane next Wednesday.

Tyne, will take up his positioo

Upton Park, his vision would have been severely blurred. Luton Town, the un-

expected conquerors of Arsenal at Wembley eight months ago, have again been offered the distinct advantage of playing on their wall-to-wall carpet. Having slithered through the muddled waters knock out Tottenham Hotspur, Southampton would prefer to be on dry land which was not so unnaturally firm.

Yet the holders should beware. Southampton, with the three diminutive Wallace three diminutive Wallace brothers in their line-up, might have been designed to perform on a surface which demands deft touches, sure footing and speed on the turn. Such assets were not only evident but necessary at the Dell last Tuesday.

The other clubs in yesterday's draw will all be able to spy on their prospective oppositioo. Queen's Park Rangers and Wimbledon can study Nottingham Forest and Leicester City in Tuesday week's replay, for instance, before meeting each other the following day. Bristol City, the third division's lone survivors, cao plot the downfall of either Everton or Bradford

Car ban for Gascoigne Ferguson post

Mick Ferguson, the former Everton, Coventry, Birmingham and Brighton forward has been appointed football community supervisor with Sunderland. Ferguson, who was born in Newcastle upoo next week under a scheme organised by the Professional Footballers' Association and

Ironically the rematch will

once again iovolve Webb. of

Forest, playing opposite

McAllister, of Leicester, who

is widely rumoured as Webb's

likely replacement should the

England international leave

player who would grace the

first division but whether he

replaces me at Forest is another matter," Webb said.

The scoreline was also goalless at Loftus Road so

Queen's Park Rangers and

Wimhledon will meet again at

"I think Gary is a very good

the City Ground.

Power packed: Boris Becker on his way to an emphatic victory over Mats Wilander in the round-robin stage of the Masters tournament at Madison Square Carden. Report, page 42 Storming |

takes title Villa enjoy home comforts Martine Le Moignan, the world No. 2, confirmed her taking the InterCity nation job as national manager, had missed our chance - somewomen's squash rackets title to be content with a goalless times it is harder against 10 by beating Alison Cummings by 9-3, 6-9, 4-9, 9-4, 9-6 in 46 draw at Leicester City, man-men. Our pitch did oot help

finish

writes). It was a convincing and confident performance from the tall, elegant Guernsey born player, now based in Germany, who has sometimes in the past lost from apparently impregnable positions

minutes (Colin McQuillan

because of nervousness. This time she played with imperious strength and balance for much of the match. After a brief loss of confidence in the middle part of the contest she stormed through the final game in three hands. She has attained national superiority not only over Cum-mings but also Lisa Opie, the top-seeded 1987 champion.

Whitaker hints at staying as coach By Sydney Friskin

The question of wbo will was on load to the Great Barcelona has been on everyone's mind since David Whitaker relinquished the post after the gold medal triumph in Seoul. Whitaker, however, opened new possibilities concerning this appointment on Wednesday

eight at Luton. After the British team had lost 1-0 to a European side in a match billed as the Minet Olympic salute, he said: Great Britain should not make a decision about the coach for 1992 until after the 1990 World Cup in Lahore. After that, if they still want me, they will have to ask my employers, the Hockey Association, and it will be purely up

to them to release me." Whitaker, director of coaching to the HA, the controlling body for the game in England,

world No. 2, confirmed her ranking at Bristol last night by coach Great Britain for the Britain hockey board over the 1992 Olympic Games in past eight years, during which he coached the team to its bronze medal at Los Angeles in 1984 and the gold in Scoul.

The association yesterday announced that Bernie Cottoo will perform the dual role of manager of the England outdoor and indoor teams leading up to the World Cup. In the winter indoor programme, he will be helped by Ian Mclotosh, as assistant manager, and by Richard Clark, as indoor coach.

• KP Foods, the Twickenham-based snack manufacturers, yesterday announced a three-year sponsorship package worth £25,000 with the Hounslow. The agreement not only provides for the club hut also marks a drive to encourage young people ioto



Sir Rhodes Boyson: opposed

lot of European countries," he said. "Why shouldn't we?"

However, he says, if ID cards are restricted to football supporters as the main weapon in the battle against hooliganism, the very notion of cards for all will he brought into disrepute."If we do it for football hooligans, we are making it a punishment, not an honour, which it should be," he said. "I'd be proud to carry a card saying this is Sir Rhodes Boyson and so would n lot of people. It will destroy the whole idea."

Second, he believes that the compnisory computer-readable card scheme represents a piecemeal and hasty reaction to the underlying problem of violent and serious crime throughout society. He said: "The card scheme is just 2 he sorting out the big problems by bringing back capital punishment."

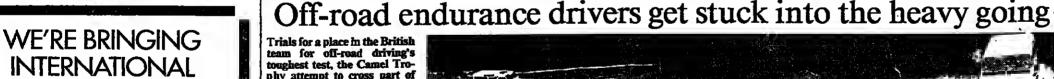
Third, he sees no reas why he and millions of other w-abiding citizens should not be able to go to a football match whenever it takes their fancy. Fourth, he agrees with many Labour MPs who argue that entry checks will cause delays outside grounds and risk even worse disorder. Fifth, he believes that football cinbs are merely the stage for hooliganism, not its cause Labour, for its part, has grave civil-liberties objections

to the scheme, and Denis Howell, the Shadow Minister for Sport, shares Sir Rhodes's suspicions of the card-checking system. "It is unworkable and impractical because the technology is not there. The technology is susceptible both to sabotage and error," Howell hranch of the Foothail Supporters' Association last

Howell added that it was enfair that the financial burden should be borne by "99.997 per cent of football supporters who are utterly law abiding".

It's a heady brew, made worse by the fact that some Tories are already saying that because the Bill, to be published shortly, has little ideological significance, it offers n

rallying point for a rebellion. Colin Moynihan, the Minister for Sport, and Mrs. Thatcher will hoping it does not become a poisoned cap.



team for off-road driving's toughest test, the Camel Trophy attempt to cross part of the Amazon basin, had 21 men and three women sliding through the mud on Hawley Common, Surrey, yesterday (Jeremy Hart writes).

The weekend of endurance tests will see the 24 oozing through mire up to their side carrying tree trunks to build makeshift bridges, and com-pleting a 10-mile orienteering

A final selection course will held in the Canary Islands in February to choose the two eople to be sent to Brazil. **Bob and Joe Ives are Camel** Trophy veterans, but neither of the brothers has been

elected for the British team. They have seen all the torture before. Bob has been short-listed three times in the past four years and Joe has twice been oo the verge of

being selected. Joe is one of the best Land-Rover drivers in the country and he is as determined as ever to take part.

"You have got to think that you'll make it," he said. "But I wouldn't say I'm over-confident this year. The fact we have got so close before means that you're bound to be disappointed. But I would enter again oext year, in fact until I make it."

The competition is tougher than ever this year, especially from the three women. Alongside Joe as he supervised a hridge-huilding task was Caroline Moorat, a teacher from London. "I knew I'd have to drive this weekend," she said. "But I've never built a



McEnroe FA warning

shunned

Joho McEnroe is to lose his

£550,000 tenois racket

sponsorship with Dunlop. The

company, which has been associated with McEnroe since 1981, has declined to

renew his contract because it

believes he is no longer a

marketable investment. Brian

Jenkins, managing director of

Dunlop Europe, said yes-

terday: "It was a commercial

Dean Martin, the Halifax Town midfield player, was warned about his future cooduct after being banded a four match suspension by the FA disciplinary committee

Japan bound

lay in Japan on December 18.

Andy Bristow, the Brighton runner, who competed in the world eross-eountry championships, leads the Great Britain team in the Ekiden International road retry race at Cardiff Castle on

In demand

Herzogenaurach, West Germany (AFP) - The contract under which the Soviet Unioo's major oational federations are supplied with sports equipment by the

manufacturer Adidas, has been renewed until 1992.

Ngugi enters John Ngugi, of Kenya, the triple world champion, will compete in the Miller-Lite IAC International cross-coun-

Sorrell chosen

Bristol have recalled David Sorrell, aged 33, from local football to play at stand-off half against Newport io the rugby union match at the Memorial Ground tomorrow.

Right formula

Formula Renault, the low-cost French motor racing series, will be seen io Britain for the first time next summer. A series of 10 races will carry £30,000 in prize-money.

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